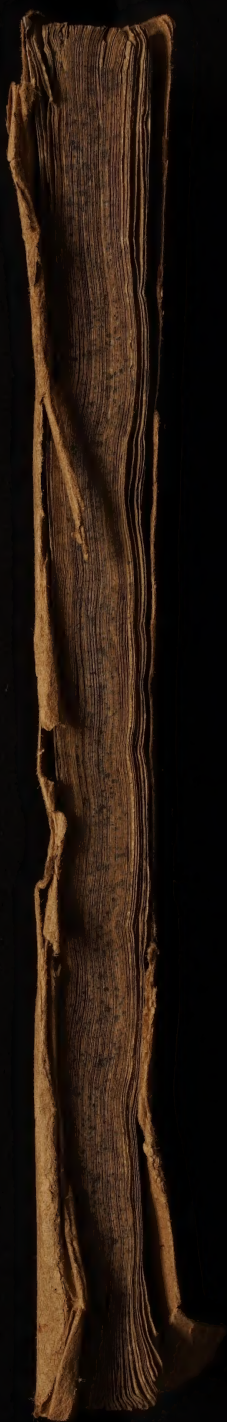
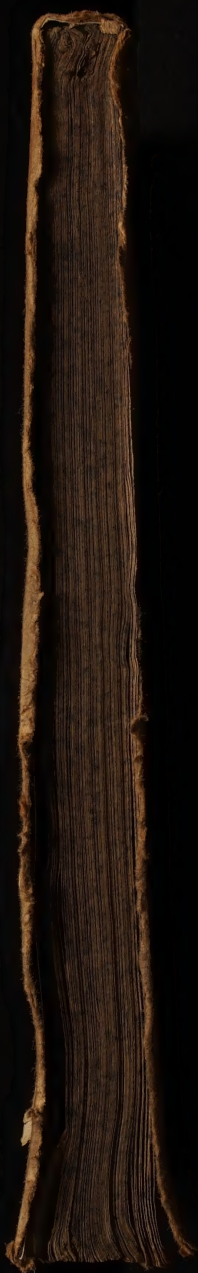


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Foretelling to all Nations of Europe un-
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and Jupiter, 1642.

*The Progresse and motion of the Comet 1618. under whose ef-
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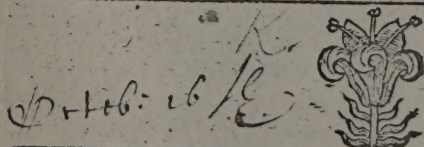
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City of London better times*

*The beginning, and end of the Watry Trygon: An entrance of
the fiery Triplicity, 1603.*

The Nativities of some English Kings, and some
horary Questions inserted: performed

BY

WILLIAM LILLY, Student in Astrologie.



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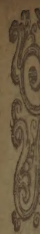
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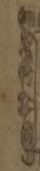
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The Honourable and truly Magna
nimous, S^r WILLIAM WITTYPOLL
Knight, increase of health and all
Worldly Felicity.

Worthy Sir,

BE pleased to receive this my maiden
Dedication (of the ensuing discourse)
as a thankfull Testimony of those
due respects I really owe unto you;
for those manifold favours I have received from
you, since, by means of the vertuous *Robert Tol-
mach* Esquire, I had first acquaintance with
you.

Some, I know, may, and will wonder at this presumption of mine; let them do: the integrity of my own heart howsoever, empty of all sordid or by-respects, will not suffer me to mistrust your charitable Construction, or fa-

sign commanding of **SALE** to be made favourable

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The Epistle Dedicatory.

vourable entertainment of these my loving intentions towards you: be your selfe pleased; let the censorious vulgar frown, or act their silly parts, and I care not.

The Subject matter is of an Art (not so contemptible, as either the illiterate Divine, or sturdy Mechanick, do fancy) or is it altogether unknown to your self; for your frequent conversation with the learned in forraign parts, and your own judgement, guided by your reading, do inform you, that *Astrologie* is no vaine or triviall learning, if rightly understood, and handled by an able hand. For honour of the *English Nation*, I wish the work had been more absolute and compleat; such as it is, I present it, with my Cordiall love to your generous self, and hope in aftertimes it shall be no dishonour, that you were the loving Patron, and very friend,

Sir, Of your much Oblieged Servant,

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These are divided many **WILLIAM LILLY.**
ways as first into four quadrants or quarters at
anfwering to 4 four quarters of y^e year; the first
or spring quarter; is sanguine hot and moist and
contains these first 3 Signs, **♈** **♊** **♉**; the second
or summer quarter is hot dry and choleric and
contains 4. 5. 6. Signs; **♌** **♍** **♎** **♏**; the autumn
or harvest quarter is cold dry and melancholick and
contains 7. 8. 9. Signs; **♐** **♑** **♒** **♓** **♈** **♊** **♉**

Every one of these quarters contains 30 degrees or more
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 dry degree contain 60 minutes which we call stripes; every minute
 contain 60 seconds, and so further if you please; as in ephology
 one makes use of degrees minutes and seconds

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diuers, or the like; no High-Commission had influence on me; no Star-Chamber; no Court of Honour: Like an Hermit fourteen miles from London I lived neere Oatlands: But, the heavens appearing cloudy, and foretelling mee a storme was comming, I left my Countrey habitation 1640. and came to London, where now I am, and in which place I dayly hear the noyse of warre, and sound of trumpet, neither of which affright me; and yet I well know the ancient and moderne Prophecies of this City; some predicting one thing, some another. Safety is in London; It will bee; Usque dum? We want unity to make us perfectly happy. By Gods blessing, from, and in this City had I my subsistence in fortune: With this City, and its fortunes, and the most honourable Citizens thereof, will I adventure, purse, person, and what may, if any thing can be, more deare; Holding it more honour to be buried in the ashes of the Citys ruines, then to survive a Monarch after such a Catastrophe.

But Grave, and ever gallant-minded Citizens, your fame and zeal to Religion, and the Publique good shall flourish, when nothing but the Treasons, and cowardly backslidings of your Enemies shall be recorded: Those who are your enemies, the Parliaments, Religions; God himself will memorize to all Ages, to the perpetuall infamy of those untrusty families, that undertook their Countries Protection, and have dishonourably, in a time of sad distresse, not onely deserted, but fomented, and augmented their Countries ruines, with their persons in Arms, their purses open, their Associates countenanced; and to what end? but to enslave themselves in the first place, and the whole Kingdom, after their unlamented deaths.

Can either God overlook these perfidious men? or posterity

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rity be unmindfull of their generation in time to come?

Many will despise this Work for my meannesse, and want of education, being my self no Collegian of either University: Its not set forth with Eloquence, our Art denying us that lustre; but truth is eloquence, and eloquence is truth: No mortall mans envy do I care for; I have hitherto outlived envy, and beheld the confusion of mine enemies, or in a fair way for it.

The Work had been more compleat, had I not been as much, during its writing, oppressed with taxes, and weekly assessments, as ever Bellantius was fearfull of the approach of his enemies, while he wrote against Mirandula: Let us bee equally pardoned. Its true, it hath cost me more hours, then at first I intended, yet I do not repent it, my knowledge was thereby the more increased. Some things I have purposely omitted; I love Monarchy, and would not easily displease my Sovereigne: To none living but himself, if ever, will I communicate my private Reserves.

The generall good do I aim at, and that men foreknowing the evils to come, might more patiently abide them, and with lesse trouble of minde receive them: Our Summer and Harvest are past; our Winter is not ended, and why? there remains a kinde of men,

Omne nefas proni patrare, pudoris inanes,
Crudeles, violenti, importunique tyranni,
Mendaces, falsi, perversi, perfidiosi,
Foedifragi, falsis verbis infanda loquentes.

but notwithstanding all their dissembling; Violenta fraude peribut. And so let them, and all thine enemies, Oh miserable England.

I could wish no man would carp at the Subject I write of:

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But knowing its of Astrologie, exploded in vulgar conceptions, it will procure me many enemies; but why it should, I know not. If they are both Christian and Protestant, so am I: Would they reform Church and Church-Government? so would I: Do these honour their King? I do: Do they adhere to the Parliament of England sitting at Westminster? My living in the Strand, and willingness to Conformity, subscribes my consent. Why shall the difference of Opinion, in point of Learning, put us at oddes? And let none mistake my meaning, when I write, This Planet, or that Constellation did, or doth such a thing; I mean, The influence of that Planet is such, it enclines (God permitting) to such or such acts, &c. Let man live meerly as a Naturall man, without sparks of Grace, the influences then predominate; but where Grace rules, the Stars obey. This I mean in mens qualities, &c. Calvin, I know, is enemy to Astrologie. Melancthon, as grave a Divine, and more learned, as most hold, was friend to, and Student in it; witnesse his version of the two last Books of Ptolomie out of Greek into Latine, and his many Epistles in commendation thereof. Perkins was so peevish and bitter, if that Posthumus Tract be his, not an Almanack must be framed; if made, not bought, though the price were but two pence. Let that be that good mans errour. Yet I never knew any Divine of so tender a conscience, but, if five pounds were given him to preach a Funerall-Sermon, would be so hard hearted as to refuse it: Such Baits are smilingly swallowed; and that party much extolled after his decease, that in his life-time never knew what it was to have a good word: Tot homines, tot Sententia. One Chambers wrote against us; but had such a Lesson returned by the learned Sir Christopher Heydon, in answer of his folly, that very grief

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killed the old worme-eaten Cannon of Windsor, nor to this day hath any adventured to answer that learned Knight : Since his time one Melton and Vicars have railed but wrote nothing to purpose, one pretends every Astrologer makes a speech of an houre long to the querent, its ill time so spent, if that were true, one can returne very few answers in a day : Henry E. of Northampton, of a noble family, writes against Judiciary Astrology, and Comets, the Book was yet never thought worthy of answer, the Gentleman was learned but he never made it lesse appear then in that discourse, intending to confute that subject of which he knew very little, if any thing at all ; It were a great madnesse in me to write of Physick, or to treat of the common or civill Law in which I have no judgement : All the Antagonists I meet with, mistake the ground of Art, and father Spurious bastards upon us in stead of legitimate issue ; they seeme to infer, that we believe fatall necessity, or that things contingent must necessarily come to passe according to our predictions ; and they do urge the darke sentences of Oracles against us, they yoake us with Sorcerers, Negromancers, Magitians (though I hold it an honour to be Magnus in that sense King JAMES tooke the word in Demonologia) they call us figure flingers, Stargazers, Wisemen, and what not ? but what have we to doe with Oracles ? do we raise the dead, or require responcion from the deceased : do we invoke Spirits ? or consult with them ? doe we use more then nature ? have not we our principall Bookes publickly sold, and licensed by every Common-Wealth ? I will insert some horary questions into the end of this Booke, and a Nativity, that posterity may see how innocent wee are of the many false imputations fathered upon us. And although many have no concept of questions, thinking Ptolomey did not approve them ; admit he did not : yet if the Centiloquium be his, the question is ended, for therein many of the Aphorismes belong to questions. But if he did not, if Art since his time have found out more then he knew, shall we reject that knowledge because he spoke nothing of that ? the most learned of these times maintaine the Earths motion, be the contrary, and so the noble Tycho : was all learning buried with Aristotle, or Astrology with Ptolomy ? How great is the difference betwixt those Phisitions that follow Galen, and those that adhere to Paracellus ? to despise the one or other were starke madnesse. In matter of question I have given satisfaction, as many well know, I have

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have also erred, but it was in not heedfully observing my Rules; or when the question was not radicall: I hold a Radicall question like a perfect instrument in the hands of a workeman, with which instrument if good worke be not made, he is no workeman but a butcher: yet sometimes men propound such questions, as put the poore Artist to his trumper; amongst the rest, one propounds, if he shall enjoy such a woman for his wife, his own wife, the questees husband being all alive, its impossible to resolve this, for I see not how the lives of so many can be included in one question, two at least not consenting to the Quere; but, (Stultus interrogator facit sapientem deviare) We ty not men to believe we can doe this or that as Perkins unjustly taxeth us, and as many ignorant people do imagine; our manner of dealing is thus: One looseth a spoone, a peece of Plate or any thing else; every man would willingly have his own, or know which way, or by whom its stollen or conveyed: he commeth to us, and askes our advice, if we can helpe him unto it againe, this I confesse is the ordinary question and manner of proposall: I think no man ever warranted the goods againe; that cannot be done; only thus much we doe, we erect our figure, and give answer whether man or woman did the fact, their quality and shape, domesticall or not, to what part of heaven the things are carried, the probability of being obtained againe or not. Who can be angry at this judgement? we cannot name any man or woman; but yet by our description many come to know the thief, and to have their goods, and to discover a knave or slut they little mistrusted: is any man prejudiced in this, &c. I have many times described a man or woman so exactly as might be, yet the parties durst not challenge them for any such manner of people; though they much mistrusted them, but time did after find them out, and they have miraculously bin discovered guilty; I confesse the best especially in London is a difficult question, for here is variety of men, women, and children. A man is exceedingly in love, he desires to know if he shall have the party desired; I set my scheame, describe the party, tell him I conceive she is not allotted for him, and where and what kind of people, or thing impeditis his suit: he leaves off, is this prejudiciall? doth he not hereby prevent abundance of sorrow which would follow if he proceeded farther?

A man is sick, he inquires, if his disease be mortall, the better to dispose of his affaires; admit I say he is like to die, and name the day or neare the time; the querent upon this makes his peace with God, sets all in order; yet

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lives, and then I lye: this happens not once in one hundred figures: is this prejudice to the querent? as men we may erre, for I never speak positively in such a question: life and death are of God. One inquires for perferment, if he shall obtaine it, if we put him either in the way whereby he is advanced; or give contradiction not to prosecute upon radicall grounds, what impeachment to Art or to the querent is this?

A Merchant intends to set out a ship to such a Coast, or part of heaven, he comes to be advised; do we injure him if we admonish to adventure to that part of heaven which may be most advantagious for a happy return; many I am sure are undone for lack of advice. few hurt that ever I knew: only if men make our art a God, and rely on it as upon an Oracle, without having relation to the All-seeing providence of God, it converts truth into falsehood, and causeth God to obfuscate our judgement; I ever abhorred to meddle with any that superstitiously ran a whoring after the Art, or that would believe it must inevitably come to passe because I had said that I conceive inquisition for things lost, or stray, or the like questions are ancient, as we find by Saul and his fathers servant, and the phrase of speech they used, I find not that either Saul or his servant were reprehended for it. Many are as ill satisfied about nativities, as questions, the Art being reprov'd by many, understood by few; I will indeavour plainly to satisfy all of our manner in the judicatory part. One brings me the time of his birth. viz. the yeer, moneth, day, and houre of the day, or neere it according to estimation; and some accidents, as sic knesse, casualty, perferment, marriage, or the like, and this reduceth the estimative time to certaintie: what do I now? I judge upon the generall good or ill may befall that party in a naturall course of life during his days, as also of his temperament, constitution, qualities, person, &c. Then I direct the advantagious yeeres, and discommodious either for health, losse of state, perferment, &c. Now if I say in such a yeere of his Age, by reason that one of the five Hylegiacalls, which is the significator comes to the □ or 8, or 9 of a malefical Promittor, and that this intimates a sicknesse proceeding from the depravation of this or that humor, & name it especially that is vitiated, and say, in time consult with the Physitian and prevent the disease, and be sure to evacuate that predominating humour principally, what hurt is in this manner of direction; wherby (longe ante) he is delivered of the peccant humour before it could radicate, and from a pestilent fever or a long lasting quar-

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tan Ague, so that when the significator and Promittor meete, the native is crazy two or three dayes, and no more, scarce that, whereas otherwayes his life might have bin endangered and he a long time sick: In these our now troubles and before they came in whose nativities I found ill directions, I advised to moderation in their actions according to the nature of the direction, by which meanes and other private advise, even in these times they live and enjoy as their own what others have totally lost. Its not the least part of my quiet of mind, that I have done many offices of friendship in this nature, nor know I any that repine in following my advise, some that did not, have, and will perpetually rue it. The grand question is betwixt King and Parliament, I have for the most part declined my resolution concerning any such demand: How happy had many bin, if having advised, they had obeyed the rules of Art: If I tell any one that about such a yeere he shall be in danger of drowning, having well considered his nativity, thought not this man more then formerly avoyd going to Sea, passage over dangerous waters, &c. and so by Gods blessing avoyding the occasion he perceiveth not the effects, or very little, slipping perhaps with his foote where otherwise the whole body might be endangered. What Gentleman is there living, but if he be wise and have foreknowledge that in such a yeere he shall find his tenants inclinable to take new leases, or renew lives, and that they will be more inclinable then, than at other times, and it will be more profitable, &c. who is he that will refuse this opportunity? Mens dispositions are not allwayes alike, I say, Sir, upon such a direction you will in this yeere exhaust your stock, &c. from or by such manner of men receive detriment, he that is judicious will avoyd suretiship that yeere, and profuse expence in his living, Cards, and Dice, &c. I have known my directions observed by some, from whom I have afterwards received thanks and acknowledgment of the verity of Art. Seasons are not all alike, the Sun shines now, it rains to morrow: ther's not a man upon the face of the earth whose temperament is alike at all times: is not the meekest man we know, angry sometimes, and inclined to passion? Let me come nearer home to the subject I was speaking of: Had it bin lawfull, and His Majesty commanded, if any Artist had long since acquainted him, that about such a yeere he should have some scuffling with his subjects and mentioned the quarter of Heaven from whence, had the prediction proved false, His Majesty received no dammage thereby, but when he had seene part of the prediction

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verified, & the remainder approaching it might have moved him somewhat to consider of the events which might further ensue, if the cause were not taken away. But sith our lawes give us not that liberty, or any I know is weary of his life, that taske is yet unperformed. Augustus Cæsar loved Nigidius Figulus. So did Vespasian Seleucus the Astrologian, and had many directions from him, although derided by Cornelius Tacitus for it. These were not the worst of men or Emperours, &c. But let those things passe, some may and I know will challenge me, because I stile my booke *Merlinus Anglicus*; or *Propheticus*: its easily answered; may not any father name his own child; how many are called Alexander, Cæsar, Charles &c and yet Kings take no exception thereat. Some will say *Merline* was a Prophet, time will make it appeare I am no lier. If I should acquaint the world how *Merlin* made his predictions: fire and fagot: though for those prophecies of his that have come to my hands, I truly acknowledge them no more then Astrologically set down so that without excellent judgement therein no mystery of his can be unlockt; he appeares an excellent Naturalist, and joyns both Art and Nature in one. All I aime at, is to let the World know, I know nothing: Many of my judgements are obscure, part whereof shall not be fulfilled during this generation; a time will come, and he will appeare, that will publish more then the world yet knoweth, or shall know of me, and will thank our age for what I have done, and will hereafter (God permitting) doe; These times suffer not all truth to be unmasked, I adventure into the world amidst the most troublesome times England ever did see, or hereafter shall see; from these sad daies have I gathered experience, but no profit or wealth: *Omnia mea mecum porto*: Long live those honourable Oaken friends I have, and I feare not. Had I no support of private fortune, hard were my hap, if I could not sustaine my life; let the Sunne shine upon me, I care for no more, it was the desire of *Diogenes*: but I am content, having reduced my mind to my fortune, &c. Upon the subject I write, viz. the conjunction, I have perused no mans notes, nor assistance in judgement have I had from any; yet let me with much thankfulness acknowledge, that my ancient learned friend *Mr. Nicholas Fiske* hath freely lent me either his Manuscripts or any bookes in his Librery treating of this subject, with much love and willingness, from whom since my happy acquaintance with him I have received plentiful enlargement of my judgements

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ment, and the whole Art of direction in Nativities; who were he not English would be more esteemed; nor am I more beholding to the father then the sonne Mr. Matthew Fiske, who at all times gave me the exact places of the Planets, and calculated for me the severall scheames of the conjunction of Υ and h 1603. 164³, and 1663. of whom I may say without offence, that few of his yeeres (if any) in Europe can parallell his excellent gifts and endowments in all the learning of the Mathematiques. he is to ^{it} his further honour as religious as learned; such are the parts he now hath in his tender yeeres; what may or might they come unto, if some Alfonso or Rudolphus would take notice of them. &c. The matter I handle is Astrologie, and what conjunction in 164³, but had I not looked backe to the Comet in 1618, I had been mired and gravelled. Authors speake in generals of these conjunctions, no one Author giving any great satisfaction, or teaching to handle one in particular, the more I laboured the more I perceived the key to unlock these conjunctionall influences. I could have enlarged the booke to a volume but its needlesse, such as it is, or as I durst let it be, receive; and let not the title or matter trouble thee. I intend God willing, (the Sunne and Saturne 1647 not impeding) to enlarge Dariot, and fit him with examples of all kinds, and to make some peeces of Ptolomey speake English. Onely we, of all Nations, make least use of this Art; whether the defect be in the Nation or in us because few of us attaine to any great perfection (if any at all) in this Art, I know not. I confesse our weaknesse is great, yet let me speake experimentally what I have seen in my time. I have had much acquaintance and society with Schollers of other Nations reputed learned in Astrology in their owne Countreys, but I really affirm, that none of them were comparable either to that grave, reverend, and profoundly learned Doctor Napier, or to his surviving kinsman Sir Richard Napier Knight, excellently judicious in Astrology, Physicke, and Philosophy; or to Mr. Thomas Allen of Gloucester-hall, or to Mr. Bredon a rigid Ptolomeian, or to Mr. Nicholas Fiske curious in the art of directions, and exquisite in all the parts of Astrologie. Let them shew me a man hath given better prooffe of his judgement in Astrologie, then my friend Mr. Booker in his Annuall prognosticks. I intend to write of the famous Eclips in 1654, and of the next conjunction of h and Υ 1663, at what time Italy will be purged, and we cured of our madnesse, without Mission to Anticyras, Lord God how many changes

changes shal this poore Island suffer, & most part of Europe before 1666 then remember the hand-writing in Daniel, chap. 5. v. 25. Mene, mene, tekel, upharisim: numeravit, numeravit, appendit; dividuntque. Not far from that time shal that of Merlin, if not long before, be fulfilled: Curvus Lunæ turbabit Zodiacum, & in fletum prorumpent Pleiades. In the meane time, Oh quot regnorum mutationes, oh quot lugubres & flebiles infortuniorum casus! quot timenda periculorum discrimina, perturbationes, quot immensa flagitia, oh quot turbidas & perniciosas seditiones! quot inopinata seu insperata mortis exitia, oh quot malorum & improborum exaltationes, cælorum conturbata acies, inudanter emittendo eructabunt? oh quot pauperes & egeni extollentur ditabunturque! Divites vero oppressi de pauperabuntur, quot subditi dominabunt, & domini obedient, Principes principatibus exuti erunt: oh quot homines vino temulenti, luxuriosi qui se gulæ adhibebunt, quot spintriæ, mastrubatores, gulosi, semibelluæ, Carnifices, crudeles, deceptores, & sine ratione proditores latrones, viros prudentia, scientia ac sapientia ornatos deridebunt, lacerabunt, dilaniabuntque & conquassando interficient, sed tunc animis opus, sapientia firmis. This age immediately shall see all this and more performed, if God work not a miracle. Shorten, oh God our English and Scottish sorrows, and quickly discover that people that ruine us invisibly, and would destroy Religion. Our sufferings are great, they may be more. Let England patiently endure this charge, the white harvest once past, the English shall branch into many families. Oh the black Character that the next age will stigmatize those families that unluckily deserted their Country, & whom the next generation will spue out into froth. We expect a full settlement in Religion now, things divine are not subject to the Stars, or Constellations, yet heare me & REMEMBER, Religion in its full purity will hardly flourish untill about 1670. I conjecture, but determine not. Should I deliver what I know, or rationally could deduce from the heavens, Kings and Princes would be angry, but amend nothing. Monarchy I extreamely love, so long as like a gentle river it keepeth within its banks, but when like an extream flood it overflows our meadows and pastures, it wants their repression & repercussion into its limited bounds. Nobility and Gentry I honour, yet they would storm and call me to account if I should utter tantum quantum.

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How many things would I more deliver, were not my tongue silenced? they were happy that left their judgment to posterity, and concealed them during their lives, they had by this means liberty to speake whole truths, we but by peecemeale and fragments, and yet in some danger for that. It is my comfort, some will finde my key, (spasim & divisim.) Rex is not alwaies a King, nor homo a man, words have severall explications, &c.

Let my willingnesse to serve my Countrey bury my failings. I write cordially, Deo. patriæ, tibi, Anglo. Scoto & Hiberno; we were one, though now divided by treachery of the most horrible plots of a Jesuiticall party. England and Scotland will long unite, Ireland wil in time come in, when the blood of the m^{is}sacred English Protestants is restored, which it will usque, usque, untill the Irish name be almost extinct. Halfe this Century shall not passe till the English shall know they are both beloved and feared. We shall not be alwaies slighted, Scotland & England shall in full measure of time ruine the greatest enemies Protestantisme ever had, and set their feet upon the Lyons inheritance, where now the crawling Crab stands, but then shall the Crabs mistress creepe into --- When Mars forsakes the Lyon, and enters Virgo; this I say,

And God who dwelleth in the Heavens, shall then,

Save the remainder of the sonnes of men:

Then peace and knowledge of the truth shall flourish;

The earth her plenteous fruits shall likewise cheiish.

It shall not be divided as before,

Nor to the plough be subje& any more.

England and Scotland in the interim bath unthankfull neighbours. Let that people know, after my daies, nay perhaps before, nay what will ye say if suddenly, An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth. We have formerly been thought to turn the ballance of Europe, our condition is now very low: one time and two faire gales of Wind make us sit and steere the ship, but welcome, welcome to that man that concludes our miseries and loves the English, besides. Let us pray for peace.

Cauda Scorpionis procurabit fulgur, & Cancer cum Sole litigabit.

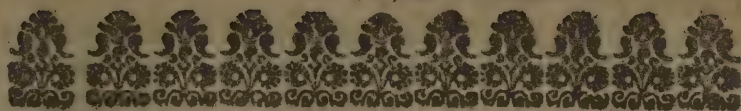
Ascendet Virgo dorsum Sagitarii & flores Virgineos obsuscabit,

The first line is fulfilled and fulfilling.

The Acts of the second draw neere, and will approach: motu violento.

London, April. 17. 1644.

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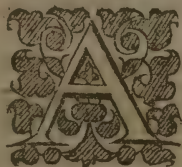
Merlinus Anglicus Astrologicus,

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A Mathematicall Discourse of the
Effects which may succeed that Conjunction
of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, which was 1643. Feb. 15.

what Regions of *Europe* shall most suffer by it ;
in what nature the events shall be, and
when they may determine.

Of some things considerable before judgement.



STROLOGERS divide the Zodiack into twelve Signes, so called and character'd, Aries, ♈ Taurus ♉, Gemini ♊, Cancer ♋, Leo ♌, Virgo ♍, Libra ♎, Scorpio ♏, Sagittarius ♐, Capricornus ♑, Aquarius ♒, Pisces ♓: Every Sign likewise is divided into 30. degrees.

There are also seven Planets; *Saturn* ♄, *Jupiter* ♃, *Mars* ♂, *Sol* ☉, *Venus* ♀, *Mercury* ☿, *Luna* ☾; There is also the head of the *Dragon*, and tail; the head is thus character'd ♂, the tail ☾ thus: there are no Planets, but Nodes, &c.

The Planets have their severall natures, and so have the twelve Signs.

Every Planet hath two signs allotted for his House, (the *Sunne* and *Moon* excepted, who have but one apiece.)

Saturn hath for his Houses, *Capricornus*, and *Aquarius*.

Jupiter hath *Sagittarius*, and *Pisces*.

Mars hath Aries, and Scorpio.

Sol hath Leo.

Venus hath Taurus, and Libra.

Mercury hath Gemini and Virgo.

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Besides this, every Planet hath exaltation in one or other of the signs: As *Saturn* is exalted in *Libra*, *Jupiter* in *Cancer*, *Mars* in *Taurus*, *Sol* in *Aries*, *Venus* in *Pisces*, *Mercury* in *Virgo*, *Luna* in *Taurus*, &c. being in any Signe where they are exalted, they are powerfull in their influence.

The Signs have also another division, As
Aries, Leo, Sagittarius, are cholerike and fiery, and so make up
the fiery Triplicity.

Taurus, Virgo, Capricornus, are earthly, and so make the earthly
Triplexity.

Gemini, Libra, Aquarius, are aiery, and make the aiery Trygon.
Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces, constitute the watry Triplicity.

The fiery triplicity is governed by *Sol* and *Jupiter*.

The earthly triplicity by *Venus*, and the *Moon*.

The airy by *Saturn*, and *Mercury*.

The watry by *Mars* alone, according to the best Authors.

Triplicity, Trygon, and Triangularity, are all of one significance, and signifie in effect thus much, viz. That three Signs of one nature, make a triplicity, trygon, &c. As *Aries, Leo, Sagittarius*, make the fiery triplicity, and so of the rest.

Through the twelve Signs the Planets continually move, and in their direct motion, they move out of *Aries* into *Taurus*; but when they are Retrograde, they move backward, viz. out of *Taurus* into *Aries*; but the *Sun* and *Moon* are ever direct, and so consequently never Retrograde.

The Planets besides have severall aspects each to other ; which are either good, indifferently good, or very ill.

A Sextile aspect consisteth of 60. degrees of the *Zodiack*; As, when *Saturn* is in 15. degrees of *Aries*, and *Jupiter* in 15. degrees of *Gemini*, there is then a sextile betwixt them, or they behold each other with a sextile. This aspect is indifferent good.

A Quadrate aspect, or a quadrate containeth 90. degrees of the *Zodiack*, as if *Saturnus* be in 15. degrees of *Aries*, and *Jupiter* in 15. degrees of *Cancer*; here is a quadrate aspect betwixt them, or they behold each other with a quadrate, or square aspect, for all is one; And this is ill, but not very ill.

A Trine aspect is, when there is 120. degrees difference, or distance betwixt two Planets, viz. If *Saturn* be in 15. of *Aries*, and *Jupiter* in 15. of *Leo*, there is a trine aspect betwixt them; and this is a very good and promising.

Opposition is, when Planets are distant 180. degrees from each other, viz. Saturn in 15. degrees of Aries, and Jupiter in 15. degrees of Libra, they are in perfect opposition to each other; and this opposition is an aspect of hate and continuall enmity.

Conjunction is, when two Planets are in one and the self-same Sign, degree, and minute, as now *Saturn* and *Jupiter* are in 25 & 26. minutes of *Pisces*: The characters of these aspects are Sextile *, Quadrate □, Trine △, Opposition ♂, Conjunction ♂. There are also many other aspects of the Planets, which are mentioned in *Keplers* Introduction to his *Ephemerides*: But in regard I have hitherto found no great matter in them, I forbear to speak of them: Nor is it my purpose to make an *Accidence*, but to explicate some words of Art.

*A further Introduction to the Work, and of the nine Con-
junctions preceding in the wary Triplexity.*

MY onely intention was to have treated of the present Conjunction, but seeing I have opportunity offered mee, and that it will be very pleasant to the Reader, to consider of times preceding this Age; I have adventured to begin my labour something further of, and am contented in an Historicall manner, to set down all those nine Conjunctions which fore-went this I now am to write of. The Reader is to understand, that the Conjunction I write of, is of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, and of their first meeting the seventh time in the watry Triplicity.

About the year of the World, 519. these two Planets had their first conjunction in *Cancer*, the first sign of the watry triplicity; and this was the first conjunction they ever had in the watry Trygon.

In *Anno Mundi* 1333. they returned again into the same Trygon, and made their first convention in *Pisces*, the last sign of the same triangularity, and this was their second return.

In Anno 2144. these heavenly bodies came to a conjunction in *Scorpio*, the second sign of the watry Trygon.

In Anno 2492. by Cœlestiall ordinance, they again entred the watry Trygon, their first meeting being in *Scorpio*, the second sign of this Triplicity.

Anno mundi 3756. Saturn and Jupiter the fifth time began their meetings, in the Aquaticall Trygon, and sign of Cancer.

About the year after Christ 590. the sixth time Saturn and

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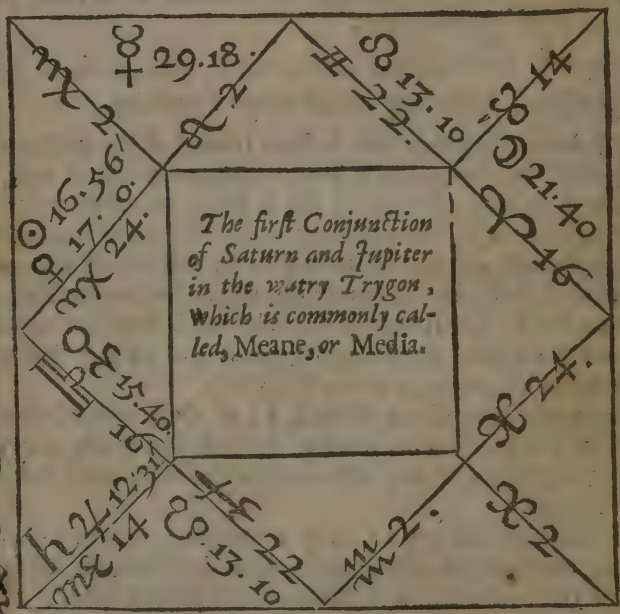
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Jupiter made their revolution, and began again to make their conjunction in Cancer, the first sign of this Trygon.

If we may beleeve John Ganivetus, other wise called Amicus medicorum; he tells us, That Saturn and Jupiter made their seventh return into the watry Triplicity, about the year of our Lord God, 1425. the thirtieth day of August, 17. hours and 45. minuts past noon, the position of the heavens fitted for the Elevation of the Meridian of London, being as followeth:

Beginning of the watry Trygon, 1425. or, the Sabbaticall return of the two superiour Planets into the watry Trygon.



The judgement of Ganivetus, fol. 141. different 23. was thus; Innuitur igitur propter elevationem Saturni super Jovem, quod potestas Ecclesiastica in multis partibus opprimeretur, a temporali potestate, maxime in substantiis Ecclesiasticis, & effectus illius conjunctionis non videtur pro integrum evacuari ante quinquaginta annos, quia fuit mutatio de triplicitate ad triplicitatem, & longo tempore fraudes, & bella debent habere locum: That is, Because Saturne is elevated.

elevated above *Jupiter*, Ecclesiasticall jurisdiction in many places shall be oppressed by the Temporall powers, chiefly in Church-livings or dignities: It seems, the effects shall not fully determine in fifty years, because it is the mutation of one triplicity into another, and deceit and warres are to be permanent a long time.

He speaketh also something more of the effects of the same conjunction fol. 213. *differentia 3^a. Quia conjunctio fuit in signo aquatrico, judicande sunt pluvia multe, quas consequitur corporum humanorum humectatio excessiva, qua est causa putrefactionum humorum, quam consequitur febris, & ratione excessus nimii, consequitur perniciosior febrium species, qua est pestilentialis, &c.* Because the conjunction was in an aquaticall signe, we are to judge much rain to ensue; after which followeth the humectation of humane bodies in excess, which is the cause of depravation of humours, upon which ensue feavers; and by reason of too much excess, there ariseth a more pernicious kinde of feavers, and more pestilentiall: Thus far he.

The Signe wherein they now began their return was *Scorpio*, a sign of the watry Triplicity, the house of *Mars*, a very treacherous and false sign, fixed and malicious: Conjunctiones in signis aquis quia est trigonus Martis, significant multa bella & inventiones operum mechanicorum propter Martem, & hereses graves & magnas, dogma Mahumeti & aliorum lex & religio sub eo trigono initium habuit: Conjunctions in aquaticall signs, which is the triplicity of *Mars*, denoteth many wars, and strange inventions of Mechanicall instruments, as also grievous, and very great heresies: the opinion of *Mahomet*, and the Law and Religion of other heretiques began under this Trygon. They that are conversant in Histories, may do well to see, if these predictions did not jump right with the times succeeding this conjunction.

This Conjunction found us in *England* engaged in a war with *France*, and much division and faction amongst our Nobility, under an innocent King, *Henry the sixth*, being then about five or six years of age, neither capable to give or take counsell. Of the affairs of other Nations let their own *Annals* report. *France* was no lesse enraged then *England*; *Spain* had much division about succession; and after some stirs, *John*, sonne of *Ferdinand* of *Arragon* succeedeth in right of *Blanch* his wife. The year preceding this Conjunction, *Constantinople* was besieged by *Amurath* the second, but not taken; And also the valiant *Zisca* died of the plague, &

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stout defender of the *Bohemians* for their Religion. 1431. the Councill of *Basil* began, and *Henry* the sixth was crowned at *Paris*; and in the year 1444. Printing was invented at *Strasburg*, by *John Guttenburg*.

But I am to examine, Whether any such actions might be predicted by Astrologie.

Wee are to consider the Conjunction was in *Scorpio*, and *Mars* the disposer of it in *Libra* his detriment; doth not *Mars* amongst the Planets, govern *Aries*, the ascendant of *England* and *France*? and did not these two Nations, for many years, continue in bloody wars, &c?

The Religious are signified by *Jupiter*, very unfortunate in the figure, and also by *Venus*, Lady of the ninth House, which together with the third signifieth Religion, is not she combust, and in the twelfth House, as also in her fall? This being the first conjunction in the triplicity, hath principall and double signification of the most generall actions that shall happen in Christendom, during the continuance of their meetings, either in *Cancer*, *Scorpio*, or *Pisces*.

As the Conjunction is in the third House (which judgeth of kindred) it portended much slaughter, bloodshed, and perditionnesse, should be committed by men of one consanguinity and blood: And was not this exactly verified, in the Uncles and Kindred of *Henry the sixth*, who never left persecuting each other, untill a Kinsman, viz. the Duke of *York*, father to *Edward the fourth*, had almost thrust *Henry the sixth* out of his Throne, which yet he did not, but left it to his sonne, who perfected that work, and cut off whole families of the Royall House, to all which hee was more or lesse allied.

The tenth House representeth Kings; Is not *Mercury* Lord thereof in the tearms of the infortunes; But taking the *Sun*, who generally is the Significator of Kings and Princes, is he not in the twelfth House of the figure, and oppressed by the sextill of *Saturnus*, in signs of long ascensions; though I could not have said, *Henry* our then King, should have been deposed by any Astrological judgement, yet I could have foretold him, by that posture of heaven, that both *England* should smart, and the King of *England* be in great perill, by his kindred and subjects: and that the Conjunction did portend infinite affliction unto him, &c. I could infinitely enlarge this point, but our own Histories speak so feelingly of those times.

times, I forbear further discourse, and come to the next *conjunction* succeeding this, as I have it in a *manuscript* wrote by *John Escuinus Anglus*, of *Merton Colledge in Oxford*.

The second Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, or, The first little Conjunction in 12. Cancer. 21. July 1444. In the watry Triplicity.

In this year it was that *Julian* that unlucky Cardinall, perswaded and also effected the breach of league with the *Turks*, whereupon followed the battell at *Varna*, in which *Ladislaus* was slain, the Christian Army defeated, to the great prejudice of all Christendom: also *Henry* the sixth married unfortunately with *Margaret* a *French* Lady; immediately after, our *English* Nobility began to be divided into faction, and so continued their malice, that by their own folly they brought upon them a Civill war, which scarce ended untill most of the ancient Gentry were either destroyed; or strangely impoverished, & their poor King captived. About the time of this Conjunction, the *Venetians* by an inundation lost as many goods as were valued to be worth a Million of gold. We say *Cancer* is ascendant of *Venice*.

Let any indifferent reader peruse those histories, that do treat of the affaires of *Europe* from the year of our Lord God, 1444. to the year 1464.

Did not the *English* lose in *France*, what had been fortunately conquered by *Henry* the fifth.

Mahomet took the most noble City of *Constantinople*, whose ascendant is *Cancer*, the sign of the Conjunction.

Scotland hath *Cancer* its ascendant, nor was it, during these times, leſſe ingaged in domeſtique broyles than *England*.

Nor can *France* rejoyce in any felicity she enjoyed, the most parts whereof were afflicted with the sword, &c.

*A Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, or, The second little
Conjunction in the watry Triplicity. 8 April. 1464.
in grad. 6. Pisces.*

This Conjunction in *England* beginneth with the imprisonment of *Henry* the sixth, and the Revolt of the valiant Earl of

Warwick from Edward the fourth, as daring as any English King.

During some years after this conjunction, here was nothing but quarrelling in *England*; the truth is, we enjoyed no great happiness under this King *Edward* the fourth: as he entred with blood, so did he continue, and when he dyed, nothing lamented was he of his people, who love no tyrannicall government.

This King his posterity were requited with as much curtesie, as himself bestowed on the house of *Lancaster*.

I only observe, that the meeting of the two superiours in the watry Triplicity, hath been obvious and disafterous to the Kings of *England*, their Nobility, and Commonalty. And the reason thereof I conceive to be, because most, or all of these Princes had Nativities discordant from that Triplicity under which the *Norman* Monarchy began, which was the earthly; and therefore there needed more circumspection in the mannaging of their affaires; and indeed as some have judged, our Kings were *Bellipotent*es, but not *Sapientipotent*es.

If the transit of *Saturnus* without the assistance or strength of other malignant Promittors doth afflict any Hylegiacall place or places, he aspecteth either with Quadrature or Opposition in the Genitures of private persons. Why shall he not then afford matter of trouble to the Kings of *England*, as often as he is in Conjunction with *Jupiter* in that sign, which is opposite to the ascendant of their Monarchy, viz. *Pisces*? Let any Chronologer see the successe we have, when a conjunction is in *Pisces*.

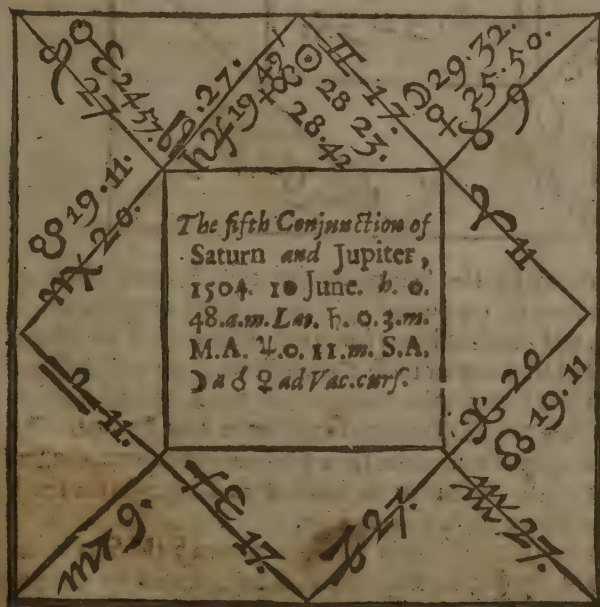
*The third little Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, in 24.
Scorpio. 1484. 25. Novemb.*

One year before this conjunction, Martin Luther was born, whose Nativity I have inserted, that posterity may see how it concurrerth with this conjunction in regard of the great mutation which ensued in Religion by his meanes. *mon* *du* *mon*

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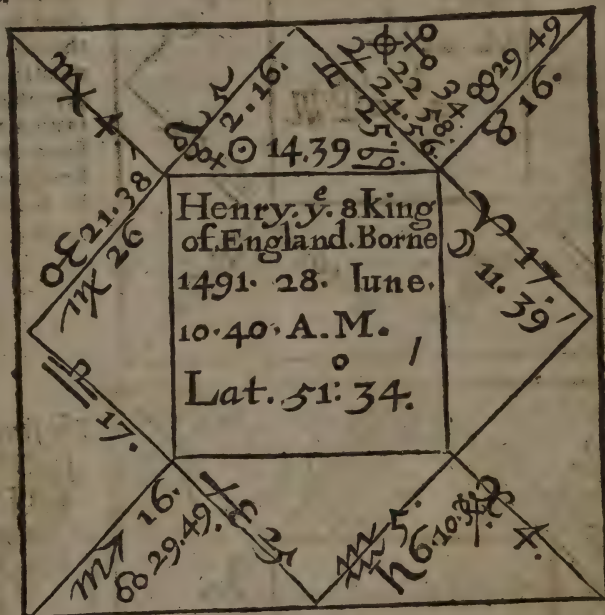
You see the place of the Conjunction is *Luthers Medium Celi*: here are five planets in his ninth house; the Conjunction of so many Planets in the house of Religion, incited him to be more stirring and active, and to do wonders therein, being the instrumentall means by Gods permission of that Reformation which hath since succeeded: nor do I believe *Gauricus*, that sends his soul to hell after his death.



The fourth little Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter.

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This very year the *Moor*s of *Granado* were enforced to become Christians; and *Henry* the seventh the most politique and covetous of all the *English* Kings, employed *Empson* and *Dudley* about penall Statutes, which begot great affliction to the *English* Nation, who love freedom and to be Masters of their own goods: but he not long after left all to *Henry* the 8. who knew how to spend more money than his Father could lay up: whose Nativity, *Cardanus* writes, is thus.



A judicious eye may see the Sympathy that this Princes Nativity hath with the posture of the preceding Conjunction, a consideration very remarkable, and much assistant for better discovery of the effects which shall succeed after any of these Conjunctions. Here is almost the same degree ascending both in the Nativity of the King and Conjunction; a good sign that the effects should not harm that Prince. The Conjunction of the superiours is in the 10th house of heaven, the Luminary of the time, viz. the Sun at the birth of the King, is in the tenth house and neer the degree of the Conjunction,

The place of *Jupiter* in the birth is neer the place of the Sun in the Conjunction, his cruelty (for he was cruell) is represented by the position

may better this conjunction. I have some hints in *Moor* in one of the
 present figures; and by that discovery in what part of the
 globe: *Prok*: or any thing else was his and forms the rule
 true: and look.

sition of *Mars*, so neer the degree ascending: and his dis-affection to his wives, appeareth to me to be signified by the unluckie quadrature of *Jupiter*, lord of the seventh, and of *Mars*; as also by the squar of *Luna* to the *Sun* in Cardinall signes and Angles of heaven. For the number of his wives; the *Moon* her application to the *Sun*, to *Jupiter*, and her being in *Sextile* to *Saturn*, and in *Trine* to *Mercury*, and in *Quadrate* to *Venus*; might induce an Astrologer to judge he should have many wives, and wenches, but not from hence define the certaine number.

The *English* had never any Prince of that largeness of heart, nor any that did so great matters, if we consider the strength of an Ecclesiasticall party he had to encounter with, whom notwithstanding he foiled at their own weapon.

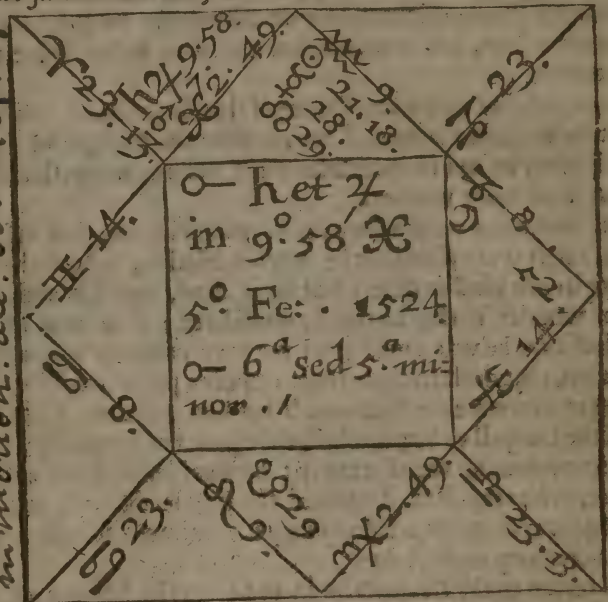
None was more valiant than he, or more vicious; No affront during his reign was offered to the *English* Nation, which he did not retaliate in one kind or other; but he is dead, and his actions give cause of wonder, if they be rightly considered; if he was subject to imperfections, he was a man; yet we have cause to account him a brave man, that durst in those times oppose a proud insulting Clergie. In some measure we must acknowledge him to be the first that permitted the Gospell to be preached, though not in its purity, yet after a more pure manner then formerly: he was blessed with a son and a daughter, who after him established the true Religion as to this present 1643 it continueth, and long may it continue without any addition in ceremony or doctrine.

But I return to the *Conjunction* in 1504. in the Scheam of whose true Position, you find four plannets either in house or exaltation all in good houses, the *Sun*, *Mercury*, *Saturn*, and *Jupiter* in the Royall house of heaven, and *Venus* and the *Moon* both in the ninth house (*viz.* of Religion) and where they are essentially strong; an evident signe matters more than ordinary were ensuing. And you have also a Comet shewed it self this year 1504. It is not recorded in what sign or part of heaven it appeared; but the effects of that no doubt did co-operate with the *Conjunction*; we finde during these 20. years, *viz.* from 1504. to 1524. That *Martin Luther* first published his Propositions against indulgences, *viz.* 1517. the first step to his greater quarrell with the Pope: *Zuinglius* Preached the Gospell at *Zurick*; *Eccius* and *Cajetan* dispute; the Pope Excommunicateth *Luther*, his Books are burned; *Luther* burneth the Popes Bull at *Wittenburg*. I finde that all *Conjunctions* of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in *Cancer* are

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ominous to Rome, this Conjunction being the fift of this Triplicity, it seemes matter now grew fit, to put in Action what was intended by the first according as *Ganivetius* had predicted. God now stirring up active men to performe his Decrees.

The sixth little Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter.



Now let us consider if Saturn being Lord of the ninth, and in the sign of Pisces, if he do not stir up some broyles for Religion, and some stormes to the English Kings.

The very year of this Conjunction, there was a Reformation of the Clergie at Ratisbone, and the same year of Religion at Wittenburg. The King of France is taken prisoner by the Imperials at the siege of Pavie, and the next year enlarged by meanes of our Henry King of England. 1525. The Duke of Lüneburg and Governour of Sweden, become Lutherans.

1526. The Landgrave of Hessen goeth about to reform his Churches, and the meeting at Spire for Reformation.

1527. The heresie of the Anabaptists beginneth to spread it self, and Luther and Zuinglius, as also Oecolampadius contend each against other about the Sacrament of the Lords Supper.

This

This year was the sweating sicknesse in London: and the Duke of *Burbon* and Imperials besiege and take *Rome*, and sack it to purpose: and now begins the dislike of *Henry* the 8. to his Queen *Katherine* a most vertuous Lady.

1528. At *Bern* the Masse was abolished, and Images and Altars cast down, so were they at *Basil*.

1529. The name of Protestants began upon the protesting of the *Elect*or and *Landgrave* against a Popish Edict. In that year *Saturn* by Transit passed through the signe of *Taurus*, and *Jupiter* of *Leo*; both fixed signes, Popery will never prevaile totally against it.

Forraigne Universities pronounce the marriage of *Henry* the eight unlawfull. *Wolsey* the *English* Cardinall groweth in disgrace, the first leading Cause to the downfall of Popery in *England*, which the year 1530. followed to some purpose; the Clergie in *England* being condemned in a *Premunire*, and pay a round sum, viz. one hundred thousand pounds to the King.

The same year the *Augustan* confession was exhibited to the Emperour, being composed by *Melancton*; and the *Smalcaldian* league betwixt divers Princes of *Germany* for defence of the Protestant Religion.

1532. King *Henry* was divorced from his Queen, and married the Lady *Anne Bullen*, by whom in the succeeding year he had *Elizabeth* afterwards Queen of *England*, a Mother to the *English* Nation.

Anno 1534. The Popes power was abrogated in *England*, but I think it not fit to accept of that year for the first year of allowing Protestantisme in *England*; perhaps it was done for respective ends in the Prince, &c.

Anno 1535. *Genova* expelleth the Bishop, and alter Religion. In the same year the most active order of the Jesuits began, instituted by *Ignatius Loyola*, confirmed after in the year 1540. Whether the Comet that appeared in 1533. *Ensisformis*, did point out that learned people I know not; but immediately after, there was in all parts of Christendome much alteration in Religion, and many novell Sects amongst the learned. And as if the heavens did take notice of the times, which immediately succeeded, and of the plentiful matter there would be to work on, there appeared from the year 1530. to 1542. no lesse than eight Comets or blazing stars; they came after the Conjunction in *Piscibus*, and did co-operate in the effects which were designed by that Conjunction, &c.

1538. The Bible was commanded to be read in the *English* tongue: and

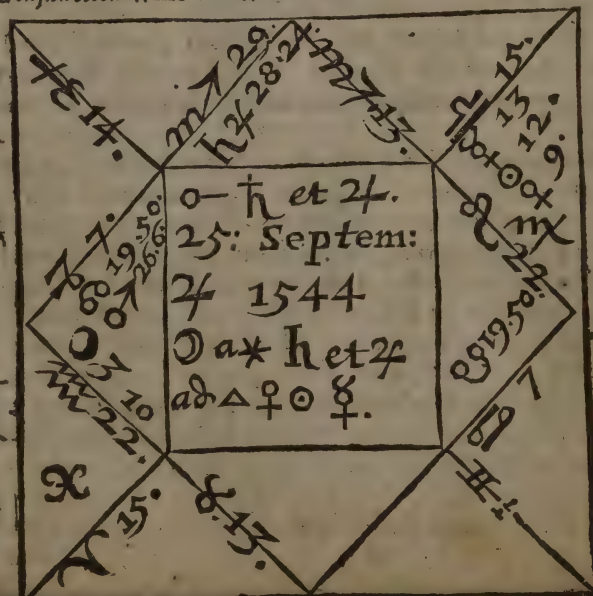
and this year began the *Antinomian Sect*, which denied the Law to be taught; and do they not now 1642, 1643. again under a *Conjunction* of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in the signe of *Pisces*, trouble the *English Synod*?

I conceive *Protestanisme* had now its first erection and allowance in *England*; for the permittance of the *English Bible*, certainly gave us the first light and fruits of the Gospel.

1539. Reformation was made in *Misnia* and *Brandenburg*, 1541.

The act for supremacy was made, and here in this year it was that the six bloody Articles were made, so that in effect we professed our selves Protestants, and yet executed men for holding Protestant tenents: Its hardly to be discerned what Religion it was that was most in force some years. But as I said formerly, there hath not been any *Conjunction* of the two superiours in the signe of *Pisces*, but it hath in one kind or other been obnoxious to the *English Kings*, Nobility and Commonalty of *England*.

The years 1540. 1541. and 1542. were full of action not onely in *England*, but in all or most parts of *Europe*. the Scottish Nation suffered much by the distraction of the Nobility. The *Rochellers* took up Armes, because a Garrison was there placed. The *English* enter *France* and *Scotland*, and burn part of *Edenbrough*: such like Actions as these were done during the twenty years intervall of the last, and this *Conjunction* which now succeedeth.



The seventh
Conjunction of
Saturn and Ju-
piter, but the
sixth lesser.



The *Pleiades* culminating and *Saturn* in the Ascendent, & *Planets* in their falls or detriments, might give cause to suspect this King should neither live long, or have any quietnesse in his Raigne: the *Conjunction* preceding is in opposition to his tenth house: and *Mars* in the *Conjunction*, is in the place of the Moon at birth: I conceive pure *Melancholly* killed him, and that he was not poisoned: is not *Saturn* Lord of the sixth in the Ascendent; cannot Kings dye upon bad directions without poison: *Ascendens ad Saturn & Luna ad ♄* may be *Ab-scissor*, to any living, so placed as here.

The *Conjunction* was in the eleventh house of heaven, but in the most viperous signe, a manifest to the world, that what mischief was then in Action, would not easily be concluded; and that the Clergie both with swords, words, treachery, and subtile devises would endeavour the maintaining of their Rights and the Tenents they held in Religion, though all the world perished thereby.

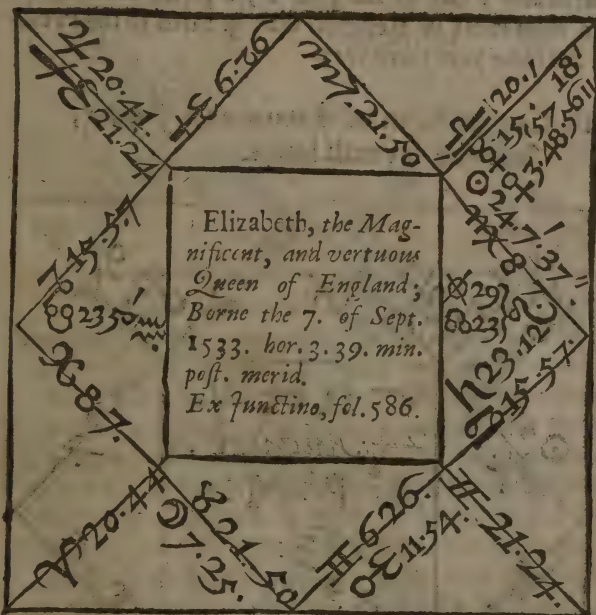
The *Dragons* taile in *Cancer*, might have warned *Scotland* of troubles ensuing, and also *Rome* her self that mischief was approaching.

Anno 1545. The Councell of *Trent* began the last generall Councell that ever was, or perhaps that ever shall be; and yet it cannot properly be called generall, because many Christian Princes sent not any *Suffragans* thither; yet whosoever shall read the Acts of it and consider its continuance, shall finde matter to wonder. *Henry* the 8. dyeth 1546. to whom succeeded his son *Edward*, of whom *Cardane* an *Italian* hath given an excellent Character. 1547 Religion was altered in *England*. The *Neapolitans* make insurrection in contradiction of the accursed *Inquisition*. The *Scots* are overthrown at *Muscleborough*. Nothing but disputation about Religion, and con-

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The time this Queen reigned was short, to the great content of the English, although the Spaniard is a gallant man, yet her people were not well pleased with that Match; for if Spain be subject to Sagittarius, London, and much of England is to Gemini, signs opposite one to another, and this is an Astrologically reason, why for the most part, we love not that majesticall people.

In 1557. we lost *Callis*, but could never since obtain it: In the year succeeding Queen *Mary* died, and with her all the sorrows of the English ended, God giving us in her room, the vertuous, and prudent *Elizabeth*: That very year Reformation began in Scotland.



This Queen died when the Ascendent came to the Pleiades. I know no reason why she should have been angry with any Astrologer, that should have said; Madam, about your 69. year the Ascen. comes to the Pleiades, which denotes, not onely sicknesse unto your person, but disturbance in your government. Her M. C. about that time came to the Conjunction of Saturn. The Irish warre was not very successfull, which much afflicted her.

This Queens enemies are signified by *Saturn* in the seventh House, who having no essentiall dignity there, could not much hurt, yet had she lived the years of *Mathuselah*, she could not have wanted detractors, and powerfull Adversaries, for *Saturn* seldom is reconciled, and the Dragons-tail in *Aquarius*, a fixed Sign, stirred up the many slanders cast upon her honour; having three Planets in essentiall fortitudes, she feared no man: no enemy, no adversary could ever have advantage of her. How that Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in 1484. as *Junctinus* would have us beleeve, could prognosticate any

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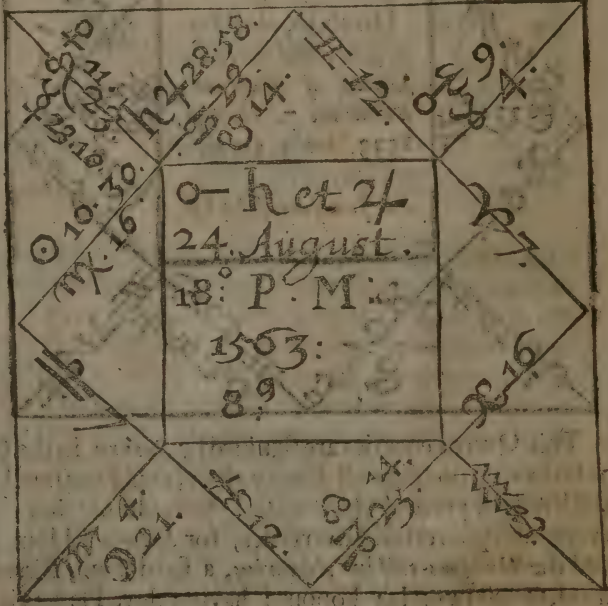
the Lord of y^e ascendant, y^e 2^d or 3^d in fixed signs, in aspect of y^e forlorn, there is the place
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honour unto her, I see not. The agreement of her *Genesis*, with the
Scheme of the Conjunction in 1544. I confesse did portend glory,
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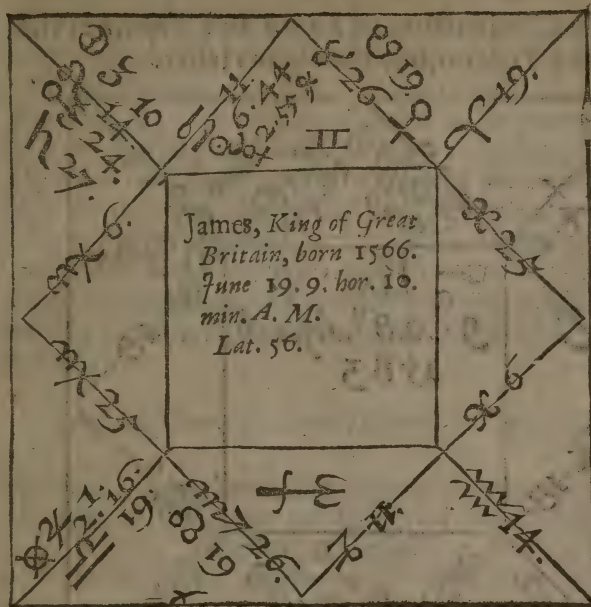
1558. Religion is established in *England*, and conference was
 had between Papist and Protestant; *Calvin* and *Westphalus* the Lu-
 theran they contend, nothing but contention and variance about Re-
 ligion: But I hold it needlesse to write more in an historick way,
 for here followed for some years, nothing but Controversie upon
 Controversie, still, Religion being the thing pretended to be the oc-
 casion of all disturbances: but in the year 1563. the Councell of
Trent ended, and toleration of Religion was granted to the Protes-
 tants in *France*, the same year there was

The eighth Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*,
 but the seventh lesser.

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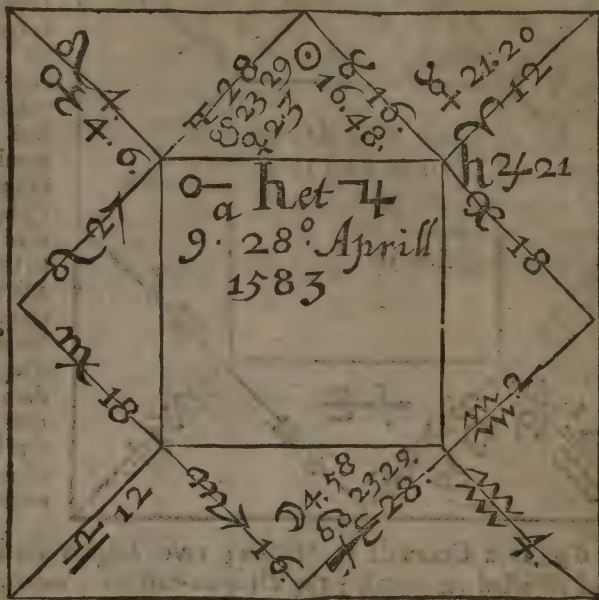


Venus culminating with eminent fixed Stars, & the mutuall reception of the *Luminaries*, the harmony betwixt his Scheame and the Conjunction preceding his birth, gave him that fame and esteem hee had in the world; and would God hee had lived to our times: The *Sun* is *Hyleg*, and therefore hee died when the *Sun* came to the body of *Saturn*: I also wonder, he never received hurt by falls from horses; or by fire: Its true, *Saturn* in the twelfth doth there most good, if ever any; least hurt I am sure he doth. *Saturn* and *Mars* in *Leo* gave him that eminent mole on his side.

1569. Is a Councill at Millain; two *English* Earls rebell: Scotland afflicted extreemly; the *Dragons-tail* in *Cancer* gives that Nation trouble. A year full of misery to the *Netherlands*, by means of Duke *D'alva*. The *English* began to flourish in all parst: See what it is when the Ascendent of the Conjunction and the Princes are of one Triplicity, no generall fate impending. Queen *Elizabeths* Ascendent being 15. of *Capricornus*, this in 1563. the 16. of *Virgo*, and although it was in the seventh of her birth, yet *Jupiter* being well dignified, gave her victory over *Saturnine* enemies; the truth is, the Conjunction of the superiours being near the radicall place of *Saturn* in her birth, excited her own Subjects to rebell, viz. the *Irish*; and many intestine troubles in *England*: God gave all her enemies shame, but no reputation that molested her, yet was shee seldome quiet during the continuance of the effects of this last Conjunction.

1582. The *Gregorian* Kalender was first instituted, in which year King *James* was detained by the *Ruthens* as a prisoner. Many and sundry were the actions of these times, which I omit, and hasten to the next Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*.

The ninth Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in the watry Trygon, but the eighth lesser.



This Conjunction falls in the second House of *Queen Elizabeth*, importing much consumption of her Treasure: Having the *Moon* at her birth in *Taurus*, which is now the signe Culminating, it prenoted her Victorious achievements; the *Sunne* also in this Conjunction is in *Trine* to his place at her birth. All things now being in the memory of man, I give every man leave to peruse Histories.

Merlinus Anglicus Astrologicus.

VVhat now succeeds, was formerly in the year 1643: a little before the Conjunction in *February*; written, and intended to have seen the World ere this time, but because, *Difficile est judicium*; de quo caremus exemplis multarum radicum in nostris temporibus: *Rigel Apho. 46.* Its very difficult to judge of those matters, concerning which we have few or no Presidents in our Age: I was enforced therefore to look behinde our times, and to procure, as well

as I coul^d, the nine Conjunctions of the wattry Trygon, which preceded this, of which I intend my Discourse; of all which. the curious Astrologer may make better use, then is fit for mee to expresse: If there be either error in the true place of the Planets, or in some of the Schemes, let it be remembred that of Roger Bacon, *De mirabilibus, fol. 10. Pluribus modis contingit deviare, quam signum attingere, & ubi plura requiruntur facilius erratur.* Its more easie, saith he, to erre, then hit the mark, and where many things are required, the more easily we may fail. Perhaps, my writing may stir up either some more able man to convince me of error, or to take more labour to amend my imperfections, with either of which I shall be well contented: in the mean time, receive this Discourse as I formerly composed it.

The Authors former intentions, now published.

That I may not exceed the memory of man, we are to remember that, in the year of our Lord God, one thousand five hundred eighty and three, there was a Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in the signe of *Pisces*; of which one Master *Harvy* did write: What effects there then followed, let either the *Annals* of *England*, or of forraigne Nations informe you; Yet let not us forget the *Spanish Armado* in 1588. which threatned no lesse then destruction, or subversion to the *English* Nation, and yet one *John Harvy*, a Physician, in contradiction of *Regiomontanus*, an admirable Astrologer, who designed that year for a strange one, was pleased to publish his own folly, and indeavoured to maintain, It would be a year as others; but the actions of the year, which he lived to see, confuted his erroneous judgement,

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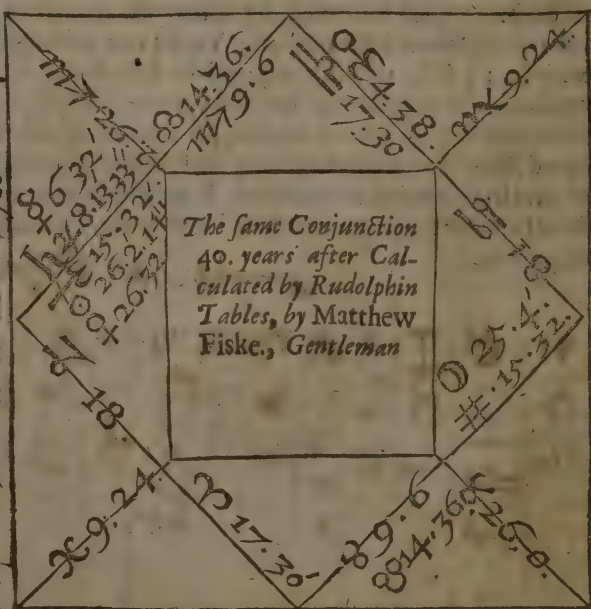
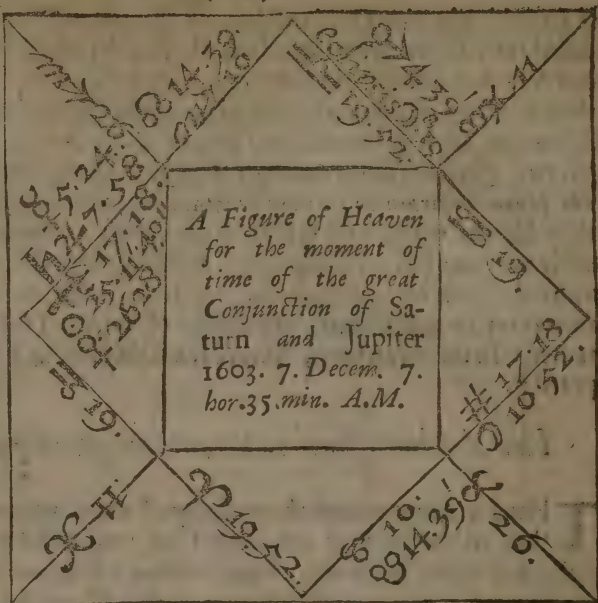
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The entrance of Saturn
and Jupiter into the fiery
Trygon; calculated exact-
ly with Instrument, by Sir
Christopher Heydon Knight.

Before I can come to
handle this last Conjunction
of the watry Trygon, I
must speak something of
the two Superiours first
meeting in the fiery Try-
gon, 1603. for I must leave
nothing behind me: and
of that Conjunction in
1623. I intend hereafter to
be more copious in writ-
ting my judgement upon
this Triplicity; yet slight
not what now comes from
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7. December 1603.
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no shall escape that pass, when y^e lord of y^e ascendant shall be in
and degree with Fortune; no ill is to ward y^e fortune. If y^e fortune
be in the 12th house, y^e lord of y^e ascendant
doth apply, or otherwise apply to the
12th house in the mid heaven, and
y^e apply unto those fortunes; and
the 8s in an Angles or elevated
above him; it signifies he that
is afraid shall easily be destroyed
from fear; not that he is any ground for it



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Having intreated my loving Friend, Master *Matthew Fiske*, to give me the true Schemæ of the great Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in 1603. (for it was so) hee gave me the Posture aforesaid, exactly done by the *Rudolphine Tables*: Some dayes after, I had occasion to peruse a letter lent me, which was wrote to Doctor *Foster* of *London*, 40. years before, wherein I found the Schemæ as you see Calculated by Sir *Christopher Heydon* with Instrument; At which I wondred, and was not a little joyfull, that the Tables of *Kepler* were so exact, and my friend Master *Matthew Fiske* should be so able; for in truth, he hath as perfectly performed the Calculation, by the Tables of *Kepler*, as Sir *Christopher Heydon* did by his curious observation; which, in a word, makes good the Calculators exactnesse, and the verity of the Tables, being directed by an able hand.

Of the great, or, rather greatest Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, 1603. it being their entrance into the fiery Triplicity.

This Trygon is called by *Ptolomey*, The first of the *Zodiacke*; and by the *Arabians*, The fiery Trygon: And we are to know, God hath alwayes innobled, and adorned these Trygonall returns with some memorable, and notable changes in the Church and Commonwealth; Amongst which, this of the first, hath ever carried the prerogative from the rest, both for that the world was first created, and the chief Epoche of great Actions, and alterations have happened under it; and also because this Trygon beginneth with *Aries*, the chief of the *Cardinall* Signes.

The first restitution of this Trygon, after the Worlds creation, happened in *Enochs* time; the second, in the universall Deluge; the third, in *Moses*, and the children of *Israels* delivery from the bondage of *Aegypt*; the fourth, in the Monarchy of the *Meds*; the fifth, in *Christ*, and the *Romans* Empire; the sixth, in *Charles* the Great, and the translation of the *Western* Empire to the *Germans*: And now this seventh, hath a secret mystry of *Sabbatine* in it, and it promisseth something of more singular moment to the World then the other: For as *Johannes Anglicus*, fol. 13. tractat. prim. saith, *Et propter hoc evenit, quod prima vice quum junguntur in Trygono, & cum de alio se mutatur hæc Conjunctio, virtutem habeat magnam, & maiorem quam alia conjunctiones, viz.* For this cause it cometh to passe, when they are first conjoyned, after the leaving of one, & entring into

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an other Triplicity ; such a Conjunction hath great vertue and operation, yea and greater then any other. What those effects may be, and what in a full measure of time may be expected, if wee beleeeve the *Arabians*, or *Cardane*, they are set down by *Campanella*, de sensu rerum. fol. 358. *Sub Arietis Triangulo sunt monarchia ingentes, leges justae, sapientes divinatorum, pietas bona coeli & Europes in nostro hemispherio.* Under the fiery Trygon mighty Monarchies arise, just Laws, the *Europeans* in our Hemisphear will bee more conversant, and greater searchers of divine things, &c. But the same Authour, in his *Astrologickall Tract.* fol. 64 delivers the matter more fully: *Dum sunt magnae Conjunctiones in Trygono primo, qua durant annis 199. & singulis 20. fiant annis, nascuntur orbi inferiori monarchia, tranquillitas, pax, ex Solis & Jovis dominio, item sapientes insignes sterilitates magna ob triangulum igneum: Viz.* Whilest the great Conjunctions of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* are in the first Triplicity, which continueth 199, years, and are every twenty years once, in our inferiour world there arise Empires, Monarchies, tranquillity, peace, by reason of the dominion of the *Sun* and *Jupiter*, great barrennesse also, because its the fiery Trygon.

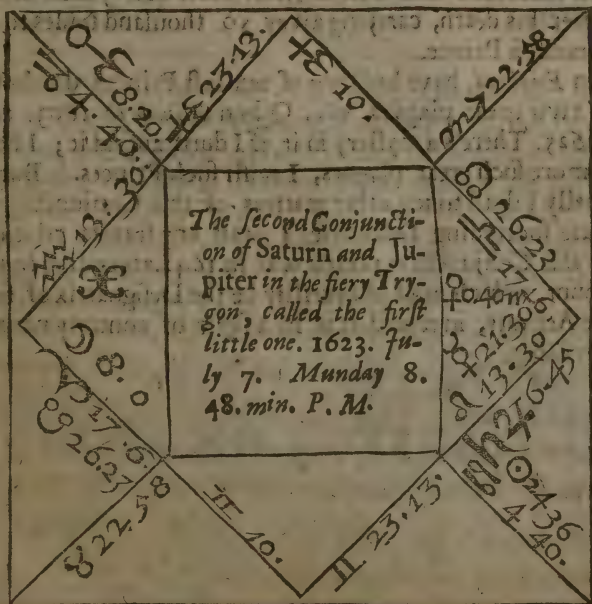
All men know, that in this year 1603. *James* the sixth, came to be King of *England*: Could a more memorable thing bee in this world, then for a *Scottish* King to become Monarch of the *English*, and that without blows, considering the former Antipathie betwixt both Nations: Was not this in effect a new Monarchy, yea, and a great one to be King of *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*?

Did not that prudent King bring Peace, not onely to the *English*, but in effect, was the sole procurer of it over all *Europe*, which not long after followed? And had wee not in 1603. a great plague in *London*, and during his raigne, many years of great scarcity? All which, verifie the *Arabian* Doctrin exactly: If we examine the Conjunction, we shall find *Mercury*, that in the Conjunction was King *James* his Significator, in our Horizon was Combust, but separating; and was not that good man miraculously delivered from the fury of the Powder-plot in 1605. But I passe by these things, and do deliver my judgement, what may in time bee expected under the fiery Triplicity, this being the fore-runner of part of those many accidents, yet are remaining to be compleated. I say, and judge: That God will restrain Monarchicall Pomp, and reduce all to an Aristocratcall mediocrity, both in the government of the Commonwealth, and of the Church; But before this be effected, *Omnia nutu*

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animus regitur, as *Cardano* long since predicted: After which, God will give so long a Peace, and such tranquillity to the Earth, as shee never yet enjoyed the like; In the mean time as *Mercury*, *Jupiter*, and *Saturne* in this Scheame of their first return, are in the twelfth House, I conceive that privately, and underhand by lies, by treacheries, by fained and dissembled Treaties, and Ambassadors, and by the policie of the Jesuiticall faction all over *Europe*, the true Protestant Religion shall infinitely be distressed, and the heavenly intentions impeded, and all those Countreys that professe Protestantisme exceedingly be molested, by so secret and close a compact of Villains, and false hearted traytors, lurking in the bosomes and closets of Princes, as that many will think Popery and Papisme shall return to its old seat in every Countrey, but that it never will in our Kingdomes, for *Jupiter* being in his chief House, cannot but in fine overcome, and the rather, because he receives the *Sun* and *Mercury* in the Ascendant; which shew, that God will miraculously by meanes of some young Prince, or Commonalty of people, discover and bring to light, the close mystery of those Plots, that from the year 1603. untill almost 50. years be accomplished, shall involve all at sometimes, and part at other of Christendom in most bloody broiles; but of this anon.

The actions performed during these 20. years, are fresh in the memory of every man; I therefore come to the next Conjunction.



and Saturnus in the fiery Trygon, called the first little one. 1623. July 7. Munday 8. 48. min. P. M. The actions performed during these 20. years, are fresh in the memory of every man; I therefore come to the next Conjunction.

We may see things are not yet mature, to put the will of the Caelestiall bodies, and in them the Decree, I hope, of the Almighty into full action. This Conjunction, is locally in the sixth House, in opposition to the precedent in 1603. God retards his Decrees for a time; hee is scarce born to this year 1643. that shall see the beginning, in any full measure, of what this Sabbaticall return of the Planets intend. The effects of this Conjunction, and the principall Sticklers do all their deeds of darknesse under-hand, in as much as concerns Religion: Is not *Jupiter* Lord of the House of Authority, and *Sol* generally the significator of Kings in the sixth House, and subterranean, and in *Cancer* the twelfth from *Leo*: Are Princes deluded; and will they not see? After 17. years the *Moon* comming to the *Suns* Quadrature, will either give sight of former misgovernments, or elle puzzle them, & forsake: Here's *Venus* in the seventh, and *Mercury*, and the Conjunction it self is in the signe of the seventh House: Shall women rule, or men of feminine constructions, and constitutions, crosse all the *Eurapien* designs, and make us all sick of the infinite misery they bring upon us; Let *England* beware when either *Aquarius* is the Ascendent of a Conjunction of the Superiors, or of an *English* King or Queen, witnesse this Conjunction, and the Ascendent of *Queen Mary* 1516. And forget not that King *James* his death succeeded this Conjunction some few years, and a great plague after his death, carrying away 50. thousand soules to accompanie so noble a Prince.

We in *England*, have had two of our best Princes deaths followed with two great plagues, viz. *Queen Elizabeth* 1603. and King *James* 1625. There's a mystery in it, if I durst unfold it; I hope wee shall no more such great plagues, I wish such Princes. But because occasionally I shall touch other matters of this Conjunction, in my immediate succeeding Discourse, I omit any further relation, and come to this Conjunction which was in 1642. according to the *English* account, which must of necessity be the Designatrix of some memorable Actions, in regard it is in a signe of contrary nature to the two preceding.

Common signs are constituted between mutable and fixed; and retain a propriety of nature, partaking both with the protuberant and consequent signs and they are the *Impetuous*; they are called *Bycorporeal* or double Bodies; because they represent two winners. & two fishes: the right

to them is *Scorpio* and *Leo* are not *Scorpio* and *Leo* are not the first sign does in order follow in *Scorpio* and *Leo* are not they are called *Fixed*, for that when they enter into them, the sign on of the year is fixed, and we do more evidently perceive either *Leo* or *Scorpio*; on either side or in the sign.

Pleasure, were positive Lawes) shall now by the effects depending on this Conjunction, receive a quenching or abatement of their heat, violence and oppression, proportionable to the quality of the Patient or undergoer of former sufferings: *Albumazer Diff. 2. Cap. 1. Cum mutatio fuerit in aquaticis vel signis terreis, significat vulgi & mediocrium hominum equalitatem eorum cum regibus in ordine, viz.* When mutation or change of any of these Conjunctions is either in watery or earthly signes, it denotes the estate of the common or mean man to be equal to that of Princes. An Aphorisme if judiciously observed and pithily understood, not much deviating from truth.

Let the Kings, Princes, and Magistrates of Europe observe and carefully beware, that if they have by any hostility, subtilty, treachery, or any Court by unwarrantable meanes prevailed or incroached upon their inferiours, I say here will be a time of recovery offered, here will a day of retaliation appear, before the effects of this Conjunction surcease, so that the same tyranny that any Prince hath used against his people, or the same measure of injustice any Court of Justice, and its Officers have executed against poore offenders or Complainants; the same proportion of hardnesse of heart in the Subject against his Sovereign, and of the weeping Client against the insulting Officer shall now be retorted, and with excess in the execution thereof.

And further as the two precedent Conjunctions in 1603. and 1623. were both in Regall signes, and so thereby the Prerogative of Princes the power of the Magistrate, and authority of many Courts was elevated to an exceeding height in greatnesse, so by this Conjunction in the year 1643. the contrary may, or ought to happen, and a suppression of those exorbitancies in each severall calling, may fortunately be expected, for this Conjunction shall be as a bridle to the two former. The appearance of this Conjunction, as I observe, is contrary to that of former times; for usually those Conjunctions did successively and in an orderly progresse succcede each other in signes of the same Triangularity, for the space of 198. years, and 265. dayes, and when they had run over that Station the Almighty had decreed them in that Trigon, they entered into the subsequent Trigon, and therein accomplished the like number of years and dayes as aforesaid. But now in Anno 1643. as if the divine Providence, were about to change the constant order of nature, and the whole Fabrick of the Universe, these two most waighty or ponderous Planets (after two Conjunctions in the fiery Trigon) come to their tenth and last Conjunction in the

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you may judge the point to be of firm resolution, no bearing - or as
 we say, one that will stand to incantations what he shall say or do
 ne. Is it good or ill? The sign ascending to common and low
 if that sign also in a common sign you may judge if men or women
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signe of *Pisces*, the last signe in number of the *Zodiack*, and perhaps
 the last that shall ever be in this *Trigon*, being in a signe which is the
 most weak and impotent of all the twelve; but yet a *House* wherein
Jupiter hath much power. The Celestiall bodies whether guided by the
 immediate finger of God, or whether so appointed by the *Secundreian*
 Intelligences or Planetary Angels, who move and direct our earthly
 affaires, as the more *secret learning* informeth us, have given permission
 to two precedent *Conjunctions*, in the Regall Triangularity, before
 they would permit a perfect conclusion of the watery. Times have no
 Presidents of the like excursion, or mutation (that ever I could read
 of) nor shall the ages in future see the like. It may justly be doubted
 and in an *Astrologically* way divined, that there shall be a sensible
 disturbance, if not a finall subversion, to those Common-wealths
 and Monarchies, that had originally their beginning either in
 1603. 1623. or neer, or since those times. For let that be granted,
 which is most certain, that the first *Conjunction* of the fiery Tripli-
 city was in *Sagittarius* 1603. and this now is *Pisces* in perfect Qua-
 drature in respect of Signe, but in most exact partill *Quadrato* to the
 place of the *Sun* and *Venus*; if the *Moon* in that was in *Opposition* to
 the *Sun*, in this she is in a *Square*; the Posture of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*
 then was in 7. deg. 58. min. *Sagittary*, that degree now is the cusp of
 the twelfth house; shall tribulation and affliction be brought upon
 us, after so long a time, by the malice of those times or Action of those
 men that then lived, or shall we disturbe the preposterous oppressions
 which then and since had life and support.

Sub quarta Trigono, qui primum respicit hostili radio, Monarchia prima frangitur; incipiunt hereses dira, armisque protecta, ob Martem & Lunam, fides plus armis quam miraculis ampliatur, surgunt novae Religiones, priscam austeritatem (sive superstitionem) mollientes, ad bonum tamen usum, quoniam syderum est inclinare, libertatis est uti inclinatione bene vel male. Campanella fol. 70. lib. 2. de Astrolog. Under the fourth Triplexity, which respecteth the first Triplexity with an hostile Aspect; the Prerogative of the first Monarchy will be shaken; direfull heresies begin, protected with Armes, by reason of Mars and the Moon, faith is more enlarged by the Sword than miracle: new Religions or Tenents arise, checking the former austerity (or rather superstition) and yet to a good intent, because the property of the stars is to incline, but the use of Liberty is to use that inclination well or ill. I shall speak more amply of these things when I come to handle the Agent in this Conjunction; Let us now observe the face of

When I had well considered our manifold troubles, and that they preceded the moment of this conjunction. I was enforced to look backward, and so I did to the conjunction in 1603. and that in 1623. and to all the Eclipses since those times, and to the one hundred and twenty Conjunction, of which *Ptolomy* forewarneth the Astrologer diligently to consider in generall accidents, all these exactly considered, yet did they not give my mind satisfaction, but incited me to a higher Scrutiny: for though I well know, that every visible Eclipse in our *Horizon* of the *Sun* or *Moon*, and every of those lesser Conjunctions afore mentioned have in one kind or other speciall and materiall significations in their influences upon the bodies and actions of men, yet because the effects of any Eclipse of the *Sun* cannot last above three years, nor of the *Moon* a far shortertime, I was induced to consider, if there were not some Comet or blazing star, whose effects were not as yet fully determined, and which as yet I had not remembered, and which might happily coöperate, or had prepared matter for this present Conjunction to work upon; for the Conjunction could not begin to operate so long before its being: the effects we know must alwayes succeed the causes.

The last Comet which appeared in *Europe* was in *Anno 1618*. excellently observed by *Longomontanus* in *Astronomia Danica*. There are a people that do too much slight the appearance and effects of Comets, as if they signified nothing, but let them consider, That God doth not alwayes speak unto men in expresse words and fillables but many times extraordinarily, admonishing us by the Motions and apparitions of the heavenly bodies (which are the works of his owne fingers) is sufficiently testified, both by that star which led the *Magi* in the Gospell to the knowledge of our Saviours Nativity, and by the words of Christ himself, presaging the destruction of *Jerusalem*, forewarned the *Jews* to lift their heads to heaven, to behold the signes that should be in the *Sun* and in the *Moon* and in the stars, before that day. Neither did the events fail his prediction (for as *Josephus* a Captain no lesse famous in those Wars, than a true Historiographer) reporteth, besides the great and fearfull Eclipses preceding, there appeared a terrible Comet in form of a flaming sword over the City, by the space of a whole year together, as you may read *Lib. 7. cap. 12. de bello Judaico*. And surely I doubt not, but it pleaseth God by these heavenly Prodigies, no lesse to participate to, and communicate, and confer with men about his secret determinations, then he was wont of old by dreames and visions. It was excellently spoken by the Philosopher

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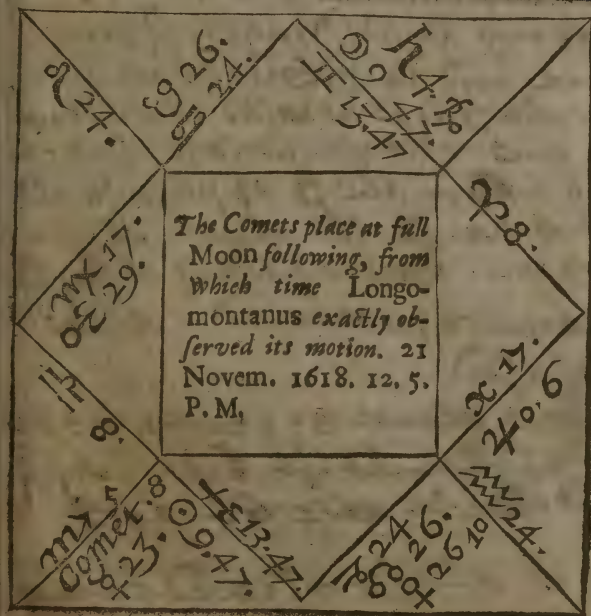
Herodotus, When God is to punish a Nation or City, he first signifies his intention by Prodigies. It was also as well said of that Christian, who delivered this sentence. *Loquitur cum hominibus Deus non modo lingua humana, per Prophetas, Apostolos & pastores, sed nonnunquam etiam ipsis elementis in formas & imagines diversas compositis, viz.* God doth not onely deliver his will unto us by Prophets, Apostles, and Pastors, but sometimes in the Elements composed into severall formes and Images. I am informed by Ptolomy in Aphorif. 98. *Trajectiones atque crinita secundas partes in judiciis ferunt, viz.* Comets and blazing stars, carry a second part in judgements. And by Guido Bonatus, fol. 592. *Omnes Cometa significant bella, terrores, & magnos eventus in mundo.* All Comets signifie Wars, terrours, and strange events in the world; we are commanded by Cardane in Segment. 2. Aphorif. 133. *In constitutionibus generalibus etiam Cometæ & reliqua incidentia observare oportet:* In giving judgements upon generall Constitutions, consider the Comets and the rest of the judgements incident thereunto: of which opinion Ptolomy is Lib. 2. *Quadripartiti, fol. 105, Observanda sunt Cometa in universalium eventuum consideratione, etenim effectus hæ pariant, quales a Marte cientur ac Mercurio: ut bella, æstus, motus turbulentos, & alia quæ ista sequi consueverunt;* Comets in consideration of generall events are to be observed, for these produce effects, and are known by Mars and Mercury, viz. wars, droughts, violent commotions, and other enormities which usually accompany: *Rigel, addeth Aphorif. 137. Mutantur Regna per apparitionem Cometarum in signis regis, dum movetur inter sensibili & de uno in alio signo, & magis quando plures una in uno anno erunt:* Kingdomes are altered by the apparition of Comets in regall Sines, (why not houses?) more especially when they sensibly moove out of one Signe into another, or when at one time and in one year many appear: There were seen 1618. three Comets, the first began and ended in the Signe of Leo, a Regall signe, and chiefly concerned by its verticality Bohemia and Hungaria, and those Countries there adjacent, but by reason of the Signe Italy, and Rhetia neer the Alpes, &c.

The second Comet did not appear to us, nor was there any thing seen in our Horizon but the Tayle, it principally threatened those parts of the Indias, which the Spaniard and Portugals have obtained by their industrious Navigations.

The third is that which I must make use of in this discourse, as being exactly observed, and passed through three Signes, &c.

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It is conceived the Comet began the day above named, but in regard of the thick mists and clouds which over-spread that part of Denmarke, Longomontanus lived in, he could make no observation before the 21. of Novemb. although D. Bainbridge in London observed it the 18. of Novemb. being Wednesday, and finished his observation the 16. of December following, the Comet being after 28. dayes not visible in London. As there was a speech many dayes and a rumour of the appearance of a Comet, but no exact visibility thereof, so it may be well observed, that the mercy of Almighty God is infinite, that did as it were consult with himself, whether this direfull Comet should not be recalled, and adde some more years of Repentance to the world.

The Astrologically judgement which succeeds, I frame according to the observation of Longomontanus, from the time of the full Moon succeeding the Comet. And I do conceive as it was 28. days observed by my Author, and also by Doctor Bainbridge, and so many dayes was for the most part altogether visible, so I say, (*salvo iudicio aliorum*) the effects shall shew themselves 28. yeares, and be so long time, ere the accidents signified by it, shall surcease: See its motion in Longitude, and its Declination.

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Ephemeris Cometæ.

| Month. | Days of the Month. | Its dayly Motion. | | Its Motion in Longitude. | | | Declination. | | Anno Dom. |
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| | 13 | 1 | 55 | 23 | 40 | m | 53 | 0 | 1640 |
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| | 18 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 45 | m | 61 | 0 | 1645 |

The Comet, as you may observe, was not fixed, (as that Star in 1572. whose effects this age shall scarce live to see) but in 28. dayes ran through part of *Scorpio*, all *Libra*, and 22. deg. and 15. min. of *Virgo*, in all the degrees of its motion were according to its Longitude, 77. deg. and 50. min. *Cometa mobiles bella indicant ab externis.* Cardanus, Seg. 3. Aphorif. 117. In Cardinibus Regum mortes, in no loco religionis jacturam, in octavo vel duodecimo pestilentiam, aut

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jacturam segetum, in undecimo Nobilium mortee: Mooving Comets shew war from Forraigners: if the Comet shew its self in the tenth house, it portends the death of Kings, if in the ninth, the hazard of Religion and spoil of the Church, if in the twelfth or eighth, a pestilence or the spoil of corn; if in the eleventh, the death of many Nobles follow. *Cardanus* ends not so, *vide Seg. 5. Aphorif. 15. Cometes valde clarus ac conspicuus, tum etiam mobilis ac diuturnus, mutationem alicujus Imperii decernit*. When a Comet appears clear and conspicuous, and also quick in his dayly motion, it pre-notes a mutation or change of some Empire. *Cometes mutantes leges, si in nono, vel undecimo apparuerint, seditionem in lege, non legem ostendunt, nec erit in illa unum caput, Card. Seg. 2. Aphorif. 206*. Comets that altar Laws, if they appear in the ninth or eleventh house of heaven, they rather shew controversie in points of Law, than the dissolution of the Law; yet they shall contend upon many points of the Law. Whether these profound *Aphorismes* have not been exactly verified, even upon the *Engliff* Nation in particular, and upon almost every Country in Europe since this Comets appearance, I leave it to every honest Reader to consider: Have an eye to the pressures of *France, Germany, Denmarke, and Ireland, &c.*

Not onely the swiftnesse of the Comets Motion, but its Retrogradation or course in motion might have induced any versed but meanly in the principles of Art, to judge some more than usuall accidents to be forth-comming into the world; and if we would know of what Nature these actions should be, heare Doctor *Dee, Aphorif. 88. Planeta Retrogradus natura constans decretum quodam modo perfringere videtur, periodum suam diurnam breviori absolvendo tempore quam ipse Equator, &c.* A Retrograde Planet doth seem to break the constant order of Nature, finishing his diurnall period, in shorter time than the *Equator* it self. So that it seemes some Princes and Potentates, many Noble men and Ecclesiasticall have ever since the appearance in 1618 been steared in the course of their lives by the influence of this Retrograde Comet, *viz.* They have laboured hard by a strict hand, and an awing domineering authority to oppresse their Neighbours Tenants and Subjects, esteeming that the safest for them, whereas in truth it first undid them in the good opinion of the people, and lastly when the Comet came to be Verticall over the afflicted Countries, very necessity inforced them to rise in Armes for destruction of their Retrograde Lords.

At first this Comet had Meridionall declination from the *Equator*,

as if God would willingly have spared us, that are on the North side the *Aequator*, and live in Northern Latitude; and sent out his punishing Angell to more remote Countries, viz. the *Indies*, &c. But our sins encreasing, he gave direction to the Comet to point out *Europe*, and in *Europe*, *England*; yet his clemency was such, as that he permitted not the Comet to be Verticall over any part of *England*, untill it had been visible and verticall to many other places 21. dayes, which in measure of time, give, according to my limitation, twenty one yeares.

By which his long forbearance, it appeareth, that God did reflect upon the many intercessions of some *Abrahams*, *Samuels*, *Davids*, and *Daniels*, that then lived amongst us: who, with weeping, fasting, and mourning, like so many *Hezekiahs*, obtained these 21. yeares longer, for us to repent in. After the Comet, I say, had been visibly apparent, 21. dayes, it had by the exact observation of *Longomontanus*, 49. degrees of Northerne Declination, and then entred the signe of *Virgo* the Common ascendent of the *English* Kings and Monarchy; for many conceive *William* the Conquerour obtained *England* presently after a Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, in *Virgo*; I am certain it was during the earthly Triplicity: and we finde by experience those Kings of *England*, that have any signe of the earthly Trigon their Ascendent, have been fortunate to the *English*, & sic è contrario; *Queen Elizabeth*, *King James*, *Henry* the 8. and *Edward* the 6. had so. As then it entred *Virgo*, it came neer to be Verticall and perpendicular over *England*: Quo magis ad perpendicularitatem super aliquam clementarem superficiem accedit axis radiosus alicujus stellæ, cò fortius cirtà talem suæ incidentiæ locum, suas vires illa stellæ imprimet; directo quidem modo, propter majorem agentis vicinitatem: reflexo autem, quia reflexi tales radii, ad incidentes, vicinius conduplicantur. Dec, Aphorif. 54. By how much greater the *Axis* or radius beames of any star doth come to perpendicularity upon any elementary superficies; by so much the more forcibly he doth imprint his influence upon such a place of his incidence, in a direct manner, by reason of the greater vicinity of the Agent: but in a reflexed way, because such beames bowed or turned back are neer conduplicated to the incidents. *Stellæ verticales magnam habent vim*, & sunt illa, quæ tantam habent declinationem ab *Æquinoctiali*, quanta est elevatio poli illius Regionis, *Dispositus*, Aphorif. 68. Stars that are Verticall have great power, and are those which have as much declination from the *Æquinoctiall*, as the elevation of the Pole of that Region: If we adde 21. years to 1618.

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we shall arrive to the year 1639. Who is ignorant of our then approaching troubles? And yet because the Comet was not then Verticall fully over England, no great mischief then happened: a cloud was falling upon us, but did not; yet from the time it had 49. degrees of North Declination, it began to exasperate and stir up matter in the English Nation, and so as its declination increased, our courages were stirred up, and it was much augmented, I mean the effects of the Cometary influence by that great Eclipse of the Sun, 22. May 1639 in Gemini, for the *digits* Eclipsed were 10. and 40. min. It began in the ninth house, its true Eclipse or middle, was in the 8. its conclusion in the 7. Church men began our misery, war, and death shall end it. I was ever fearfull of the effects of that Eclipse: for he that observes it, shall finde that the Sun is Lord of the tenth, and he is Eclipsed by the Moon in the eighth: *Per Solem reges dupliciter intelliguntur, per Lunam populus, sive vulgus*: an easie Artift may put this into sense.

The Comet now in 1639 came close home unto us: it was four dayes or somewhat more verticall over all England (for after it had 56. degrees of Northern declination, it passed farther Northward towards Scotland) so it had then time to leave its impression more deeply upon us, according to that 55. Aphorif. of Doctor Dee, *Quo stellæ ejusdem mora, super horizontem major fuerit, eo ad suæ virtutis fortioiorem faciendam impressionem per directos suos radios, est accommodatior*: By how much the greater or longer the mansion or abiding of the same star is above the Horizon, by so much the more is he fitted by those his direct beames over those parts, to make a more strong impression of his influence: had some European Princes seen the judgement I gave upon that Solar Eclipse in 1639. it might have frightened them, or exhorted them to look to themselves. But *Principi ne magnum malum unquam prædixeris, sed periculum*: which in effect saith; Never tell your Prince truth, an horrid basenesse.

The 12. of Decemb. 1618. the Comet passed 26. deg. and 40. min. of Virgo, which is the degree within one, opposite to the Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in 25. Pisces. Adde 22. yeares to 1618. and it answers 1640. Consider the Declination of the Comet, you finde it 51. The Comet was then Verticall over many places of England and in speciall manner to London it selfe; This year 1640. Our Parliament began at Westminster.



I take that time for the moment of its beginning, at what time his Majesty went after Sermon into the Parliament house, and began his speech, which was 2. ho. 4. min. P. M. *diei prædicti*.

Far be it from my thoughts Astrologically to judge, and publish my judgement, what successe may be expected from the scheme aforesaid betwixt his Majesty and the Parliament, I desire so to carry my discourse, & in so equall a ballance, as I may not offend either his Majesty, whom I do honour, as my Prince; or the Parliament, under whose protection I now live, and whose just rights I am bound to maintaine by Protestation.

The angles of the figure are double bodied, common, or called by corporeall; the Sun is a little Eclipsed and in *Scorpio*, the most viperous Signe of the *Zodiack*. *Mars* possesseth the East Angle in *Pisces*, a Signe of his own *Trigon*; *Jupiter* is Lord of the Ascendant, but not of the tenth house, because he beholds not the house: *Saturne* the supreme of Planets, represents his Majesty, he is in the twelfth house,

House, the *Sun* and *Moon* applying to a Quadrature of him, the Aspect is in fixed signes, and out of the worst Houses of Heaven: Absolutely there's a cunning spirit that pretends fair, and yet impedites both King and Parliaments reconcilement, a spirit that will not let His Majesty see the Parliaments realty to him, nor suffer the Parliament to beleieve His Majesty intends fairly to them.

Fear to offend silenceth my further thoughts, onely I will be bold to conjecture, death or, some untimely accident may cut off three of the greatest enemies both King and Parliament have, ere the Moneth of *December* 1644. or it will bee then perceived openly who they are, and they questioned and imprisoned, if they run not away; the reason is, because both *Mercury*, *Sun*, and *Moon* are in square to *Saturn* in the 12. house. they in the 8. house, and being disposed by *Mars*, it may bee hoped Divine Justice will find them out, because *Mercury* wanteth 4. degrees of the Aspect, I judge 4. years (*a tempore inceptions*) to determine the discovery of these grand Machivillians. And herein I point at men, or the like in generalls, and not aime at any in particular; whether man or woman, both are guilty. Adde 23. yearsto 1618. which answers the 13. *December*, and it answers to 1641. The Comet then, had 53 degrees of Northern Declination, and was Verticallover most of our inland Counties of *England*, viz. *Leicestershire*, *Northamptonshire*, *Rutlandshire*, *Nottinghamshire*, *Warwick*, *Derby*, and *Stafford*, and many adjacent Counties, which have more then fifty one, and lesse then fifty four degrees of North Latitude: Did not our miseries steale upon us, and the cursed rebellion of the *Irish* begin 23. *October* 1641. And did not many of our inland Countties begin to smart: But to see how God concateⁿateth worldly affairs with Cœlestiall apparitions: All *January* 1641, *Stilo Anglicano*, was full of fears, mistrusts, jealousies, and what not: for then *Mars* by Transit, passed the ninth degree of *Sagittarius*, directly opposite to the place of the *Sun* Eclipsed 1639. and in that degree of *Sagittarius* she was in perfect square to *Saturn* in the ninth degree of *Pisces*: So that at one time; and in one day, the two unfortunate Planets beheld themselves with *Quadrat* Aspect, and the one by *Opposition*, and *Saturn* by *Quadrat* the degree Eclipsed 1639. This their *Quadrat* was the first of *January*, at what time, and upon which day, as I remember, or neer it, many Apprentices came to *Westminster*. The tenth of *January* His Majestie wen to *Hampson Court*, but returned not to this day: The eleventh of *January* 3000. *Buckinghamshire* men, came in behalf of themselves and their honest

honest Countrey-man *John Hamden* Esquire. The 18. of January the *Essex* men came in abundance to *London*. Ten Bishops were questioned in Parliament, for now both the Comet passed the ninth in the *Radix*, and also the Eclips in 1639. was in great force.

When the Comet had been observed 24. dayes, and cut the 20. degree of *Virgo*, which was on the 14. of *December* 1618. and in proportion of time, points out 1642. having then 55. degrees of Northern Declination, it became perpendicular or verticall to *Yorkshire*, part of *Lincolnshire*, *Bishoprick of Durham*, *Lancashire*, *Cheshire*, *Westmerland*, *Cumberland*, *Northumberland* and *Wales*: whether those Countreys then suffered, and were quiet, let the *English*, whom it most concerns, judge. From these Countreys especially, proceeded that Army of men wherewith his Majestie gave battell to the valiant Patron of his oppressed Countrey *Robert Earle of Essex*: I am not certain, if any got by that field, the losse fell upon His Majestie, by losing some thousands of *English* men; for not a man, or youth perished, whose King and Sovereign he was not, and of whom he might not have expected better service against the inhumane *Irish*; and therefore I use to say, when I hear His Majesties forces have killed so many of the Parliaments, That His Majestie hath still the worst, for he hath a speciall interest in the life or death of any that is slain, or therwaies perisheth; and when we are all killed, by these unkind divisions, if it happen His Majestie, or his posterity to survive, Over whom shall He, or they raige? The earth is the same, but where, or whither are the men gone? Queen *Elizabeth* was used to say, She would beleve nothing against the meanest of her Subjects, which a father would not against his child. By these her loving words, and actions answerable to her promises, she was really Queen of *England*, and *English-men*, but I transgresse too farre; One *William Cecill* now at Court, was to be prized at as great a rate as the Horse *Richard* the third cried for, at the losse of his Crown and Kingdom in *Leicestershire*.

According to the former proportion of time, let us observe what part of *Virgo* the Comet cut the 15. of *December* 1618. and wee shall find it was the 18. of *Virgo*, almost the degree of the ninth House at the Comets apparition, and of the Ascendent the postventionall full-Moon; Did not our Parliament, and also the Synod of Divines for Reformation concur, and also put in action their agreement, by discussing points of doubt in Doctrin and Ceremony: the year 1643. for if wee adde 25. years to 1618. doth not the Comet

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then cut the degree of the ninth House, by which Religion is principally signified; the Comet had then 56. degrees, and 40. minutes of Northern Declination, and then became Verticall to that part of England, and Scotland which lieth betwixt York and Edinborough, and to Edinborough, and somewhat beyond it; I pray God no trouble or disturbance may arise in that Kingdom, or in those parts, this year 1643. perhaps it may be retarded untill 1644 or 1645. how ever *Mars* in *Gemini*, in the *figura mundi*, portends much warre and bloodshed in the West part of England.

When Scotland, and our Northern Countries have had their share, the effects of this Comet must go farther Northward, it cannot leave that wise Nation without trouble; The Comet worketh slowly, but it failes no where; *Quacunque lentius operantur, diutius protrahunt suos effectus, neque enim delitescere vis syderis potest nec aboleri. Card. Seg. 1. Aph. 55.* Those Stars, or Comets that work gently or slowly, protract their effects the longer; for the efficacy, or operation of a Star can neither be obscured, or abolished.

The 16. of December 1618. the Comet had appeared 26. dayes, answering to 26. years, and our 1644. The Comet then passed the 14. degree, and 40. minutes of *Virgo*, the place of *Mars*, at the Comets appearance. The year 1644. by the *figura mundi*, and the potency of *Mars* in *Aquarius*, and the whole Figure, and his opposition to the Moon in the tenth House, is probably like to bee very full of action, and many battells to bee fought in the North, and North-west of England, and so also South-west, and full West from London, &c. Both the Comet, and the *figura mundi* signifie the year to bee extreame ill, &c. And it threatens the death of a great Queen, or Lady, and also of an Ecclesiasticall person, and persons; nay it portends sudden death to some great King, or Prince; God bleſſe His Majesty of England, &c. The Pope can find no leasure to die.

When the Comet cut the 14. degree and 40. minutes of *Virgo*, it had 58. degrees and 10. minutes of Northern Declination; If Denmark, Norway and some parts of Swethland, have so much Northern Latitude, as it is most certain they have, then may they expect the same proportion, and trouble, at home, and abroad, both in warre, and its subsequents that their neighbour Countreys undergo; for 1644. it will bee Verticall to Denmark, Norway. and some other Countreys subject to the Dane, and to Swethland and its Territories, as also to some Confines of the Polacks, and Muscovians: The excursion of the Tartar into Poland, or Wologda. Muscovia may be feared the

the year 1644. and the *Turks*, or some others into *Germany*, or his *Confines*.

The 17. of *December* 1618. which was 27. dayes after the *Comets* visibility, and in measure of time answers 1645. the *Comet* cut the 11. grad. and 10. minutes of *Virgo*, and had 59. degrees and 35. minutes of Northern Declination. It will then be Verticall to those Tracts of Land which have so much Latitude Northerly, and they are some parts of *Muscovia*, adjoyning to the *Crimensian Tartar*, and that part of *Tartaria*, where the *Mordway Tartar* liveth, or to any Region habitable, that lieth under the same Paralell, or Latitude: Let those Princes living there, look both to the *Turk* and *Tartar*: for the time hastens, the enemy approaches.

The 18. of *December* 1618. answering our 1646. the *Comet* entred, or passed the 7. degree and 45. minutes of *Virgo*, having 61. grades of North Declination from the *Aequator*; It then became Verticall to those people that have or live under the Elevation of the Pole 61. viz. *Finland*, and then to *Swethland* it self, and those that inhabite near the *Baltique Sea*; *Livonia* may begin the Dance, allotted for beginning those remote peoples troubles: After 28. dayes, neither did Doctor *Bainbridge*, or *Longomontanus* observe, or could have sight of the *Comet* any more; So that if we find my measure of time to hit right, then the effects signified by that *Comet*, shall have no conclusion untill 28. years from its first apparition are compleated: now if we adde 28. to 1618. it will be in the year 1646. but I rather say, 1647, before the generall calamity threatned by that *Comet* in 1618. shall surcease.

I have no president from *Astrology*, that hath guided my fancy, to give for every day of the *Comets* appearance, one year in measure of time. When *Olaus* the *Dane*, wrote of the *Comet* in 1585. and came to write of the time, when, and how long the events should continue; *Ab Astrologis hac doctrina sufficienter non sit declarata*. This Doctrin (quoth he) is not sufficiently handled of *Astrologers*: Being therefore doubtfull of the successe of my precedent judgement, I laid aside my foule papers, and went to *St. Peters* at *Westminster*, the last Wednesday in *April* 1643. to hear the Fast Sermon preached before the Parliament. One Master *Greenall*, or *Greenhill*, a learned Gentleman, amongst many observations said; That God had often warned us of these times, by his Ministers, and by signes from heaven; and in particular, by that *Comet* in 1618. whose effects, he said, would continue, from the time of its beginning 28. years, as one *Herlicius* wrote: This

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Herlicium, or any of his works I never saw, (but I understand that he was a Dane, and wrote *Almanacks*) His, viz. Master *Greenhills*, words gave me encouragement, so that I conceived, I was not single in my judgement, and thereupon I collected my dispersed Papers, and put them into that form, thou that readest these Lines, dost see.

The tail of this Comet, all the time of its being, pointed out the West, and North-west parts of the World; if we beleeeve *Charles Piso* the French Physician: *Caterum quibus locis miniventur & intent effectus suos, ostendunt Zodiaci partes sub quibus collecta ipsa & incensa, primum exarserint: tum inclinationes comarum crinita pro ratione forma, Ptolomeus lib. 2. fol. 103. Quadripartiti.* What places are principally threatned, and intended to feel the Comets influence, the parts of the *Zodiack* where first the matter was collected, and appeared, do manifest: as also the inclinations of the scattered haire, according to the form of the Comet. *Austria* certainly, the seat of the *Roman Empire*, was chiefly pointed out by the Comet, to be either the seat of war, or the place from whence much mischief should come. The passage of this Comet through the forms of the fixed Stars is most to bee admired, and wanted nothing but a tongue, and an audible voice to expresse articulately the ends why God did illuminate the same.

The generation of this Comet in *Scorpio*, under the Sun-beames, did plainly expresse, and shadow out unto us Virulent and Scorpion-like Counsels, and Confederacies of those who in the 19. chap. of the *Revelation* are described to have the faces of men, but the stings of Scorpions in their tails; I mean, the Jesuites, and Legates of the Pope, out of whose mouth they are sent, and by their Vow of mission are bound to go whither he shall send them, and to execute whatsoever he shall employ them in: Being in this Emblematicall generation of the Comet, described to lurk in the Courts of Kings, and Emperours (as it were under the Sun-beams) thereby more importunately to sollicite and incense them to take any opportunity to sting, and extinguish such as profess the true Protestant Religion in their Dominions. Do Kings and Princes harbour such monsters, and will not beleeeve it: will they not beleeeve there are Bees in the Hive, unlesse they feele their sting first? when they are undone, and their Kingdoms, and Subjects destroyed, some belief will bee given to what I write, but *Post est occasio calva*; The axe is laid to the root, a few more blows cuts down the Tree: but this is *Enigma*: *Semper autem videntur, quæ contra ordinem signorum feruntur, mutationem legis significare;*

nificare; quod motus is primi caeli sit. atque ob id a Deo vel supremo Rectore; leges autem permissione Dei sunt habitus vero ad solem declarant ipsius effectus initium: nam si orientalis extiterit Cometa, brevi initium est habiturus effectus. Cardanus 272. lib. 2. Ptol. Its ever observed, those Comets which move in a Retrograde course, do signifie the mutation of Lawes; because that motion is of the first Heaven, and therefore from God, or some supream Rector of our Affairs, (perhaps he means, the Planetary Angel presiding at this time) but Laws are by permission of God: the habit of the Comet to the Sun, shews his beginning to be quick and sudden, if hee be Orientall, &c. And so it was, for *Matthias* the Emperour survived not the Comet three Months: He had the 16. of *Scorpio* the Ascendent in his Nativity; he lived when the Comet blazed, but when the Comet cut the 16. of *Scorpio* he sickned, and not long after died: the Empresse died a little before, so did Queen *Anne*, in Anno 1619. and yet Comets have nothing to do with Princes, or signifie any thing, as some erroneously hold.

As the Comet first appeared in *Scorpio*, and was disposed by *Mars*; *Multos labores in genere hominum, inter principes contentiones gravissimas iras inter populares; summorum virorum mortem, inopiam & caritatem Annone, metum bellorum, regum furerem & ab illis multorum defectionem, non sine civili motu & intestinis cadibus.* Mizaldus in Comet. 109. lib. 2. fol. 170.

Many shall be the labours of mankind, (when a Comet is in *Scorpio*) fearfull dissention betwixt Princes, tumults amongst the vulgar, the death of Prime, and Eminent men, scarcity and dearness of provision, fear of warres, the anger of Princes, much defection from them by their Subjects, not without civill discord, and intestine slaughter. As the Comet passed through *Libra*; *Mortem principum in tractu occiduo, cedes occultas cum conjuratione formidandas, census plurimorum jacturam:* If the Comet passe through *Libra*, Princes of the West part of the World shall die, fearfull murders occuldy carried, and mens estates consumed they know not how. The Comets passage through *Virgo*; *Mercatoribus damnum, & mutuas inter homines injurias cum omni injustitia, nec non virorum proborum vexationem & captivitates, indicere plurimum solet.* Nec in armorum strepitu otiosa erit & principum cede. Mizaldus in Comet. fol. 168. The Comets passage through the signe of *Virgo* (who Enigmatically represents Religion and Justice, under whose title the Church and Spouse of Christ is figured) and over whom the Comets tail did bow

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the sign of our present so another if not like Mars will be
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five dayes, intimates that for some years the Church of Christ should be afflicted by the Pope, Emperour, King of *Spain*, and others Jesuitically addicted; But when the Church hath over-passed those afflictions, they shall fear no more persecutions to follow, but enjoy a perpetuall peace and tranquillity in this world. It further denotes, that the industrious Marchant shall make ill Voyages, and men shall prosecute each other with all kind of injustice; good men shall be vexed, and imprisoned; a rumour and fear of warre to no purpose, but great persons made away suddenly. Let us observe Historically, if these axiomes of the learned, have not been true in our age, and Common-wealth.

From the time of the Comets appearance, which was 1618. untill it became Verticall to *England*, which was 1639. wee did not miserably suffer; but all men know, matter hath been preparing for these very times ever since: How did the *English* groan under the pressures of the Monopolists, about 1618. 1619. and 1620. How much treasure did we spend, and how much disgrace was it, that simple employment to *Algiers*, in the latter end of King *James* his raign, our brave Sea-men, and the brave spirited Sir *Robert Mansell*, muzzled up with a blank Commission: To number the Sea-men captivated in those times, or recount the unvaluable losse of the *London* Marchants, were *Infandum renovare dolorem*; tears, but not words best expresse it; And immediately, or few years after, the Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in 1623. wee lost King *James*, whose raigne was spent in peace; what a monstrous plague afflicted the City of *London* that year 1625. and all, or the most part of the Kingdome the next year; Now, or near this time, was our unfortunate attempt to relieve *Rochell*, after our owne Ships had undone them, and then we fight in the mud at the Isle of *Rees*, where wee lost the best men we had then living, not in fight, but by treachery in the Ouse and Dirt, &c.

The destruction of the *Rochellers*, and in them of the Protestant party in *France*, and the innocent blond of that Protestant party, cries aloud to heaven for vengeance against the Authour, and procurer of their finall destruction: A City, Queen *Elizabeth* loved; nor did the victorious *Henry* the fourth King of *France* distast it. To this day, the *Rochellers* beleeve *Buckingham* was the Authour of their undoing; Was he so? He was exceedingly to be commended, for advancing his kindred; but in this, he hath left a blemish to his posterity, which time will not wipe off, and yet I really beleeve, it was not so much

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hee as that Jesuiticall counsell too conversant with him ; How ever, he was the first on whom all Laws depended, for the Laws speak nothing, but what he and his Parasites would have them say ; and had not an untimely death swept his Ambition away, we had questionless ere this been contented slaves, or imbrued our hands in each others blood. But there's a Yeomanry of *England*, indures no slavery, its hard to root it out, they breed their sonns excellently well, and its an ill bird defiles his owne nest ; their sonnes prove excellent Lawyers, and best know the estate of every County they live in ; are a valiant and discreet people : of this the Duke thought not of, nor the reverend, but unfortunate, *William Laud*, Archbishop of *Canterbury*, in all his undertakings ; nor *Thomas Earl of Arundell*, in his mercilesse Court of Honour, the Advocates abusing that honourable man ; where it was a greater offence to call an idle Gentleman a Knave, (when perhaps one might have added, Thief, and Beggar) then to have stolen an Ox, and answered the Indictment at Sessions : But I digresse, and doubt not but to live, and see vengeance in full measure powred and distributed upon him, them, and their families, that had any hand in furthering the oppression of the *Rochellers*, and the poor *French* Protestants, or in the miserable losse of the 12000. men Count *Mansfield* had.

All our Parliaments have been unluckely, and by sinister Counsells dissolved, since 1625. what reason can be given, none certainly; onely it pleased a prevailing faction to cloud His Majesties grace from his Subjects, rendring him unkind, but themselves worse then *Achitophel*. Were not many of our brave Gentlemen; whom their Countrey sent up for the Publique benefit imprisoned? Did not some die in prison, Gallant men, of the House of Commons, of the representative Body of the Kingdom? Oh *Eliot*, well spoken, Sir *John Eliot*, I ever expected the unmercifull usage of thee in the Towre, should be returned, and the same merey; (which was none at all) inflicted upon every private Counsellor, or Actor in thy miseries; they that advised thy strict indurance, neither of God or man deserve favour: what was done to thee, had it been possible, should have been inflicted upon the whole Commonalty of *England*: But *Eliot* is dead, his death will have no nay, no mercy on his offenders, or afflictors: Others suffered also. But to the Comet. How many Noble men suddenly died? Who knew the disease, whereof either the Honourable *Lodowick Duke of Richmond*, or the very Noble *Marquesse Hamilton* died; and how suddenly was valiant *Oxford*, the

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Heroick Earle of *Southampton*, and his valiant son, and many other men of excellent birth and Nobility, taken from us: We have had many Princes in the West part of the world, dead since the Comets appearance, many a dear year; Wheat I have seen at 12. shillings a bushell; honest preaching Ministers, I have seen captivated and oppressed; enforced to fly into forraigne Countries, or else silenced; I have seen the Laws speak, not law, but fancy: I wish there had been no error in the Clergie; Their pride began when the Dean of *Westminster* was made Lord Keeper; *William Laud* Archbishop of *Canterbury* augmented their insolency: not a Sexton must sweep the Church unlesse put in by the Parson: a Vestery is no Vestery unlesse he confirmed it: Parochiall priviledges and customes were invalid, notwithstanding antiquity and personall oathes of as good mens sons as himself, confirmed the truth thereof.

Richieu of *France* was the onely wise Courtier and Clergie man that ever lived.

While *Finch* was Lord chiefe Justice of the *Common Pleas*, to obtaine a Prohibition, was an Herculean task, yet Justice *Hutton* in his absence would do it: such times, such Officers. But I am too tedious, yet let me be excused, sith I do it not to blemish any man, or to cast a false aspersion upon the honour of any one: I repeate these things onely to make the Cometary *Aphorismes* better understood, and to shew their verity, I might be more copious, but should I so do, I might the more offend, and therefore I conclude what I intend to speak of the Comets effects, unlesse occasionally a word or two hereafter drop from my pen; this which is wrote will give the more light to the succeeding discourse, which now orderly follows.

The effects of the present Conjunction prosecuted.

BEfore I speak of this *Conjunction*, by some (falsely) called great I must acquaint you with that *Aphorisme* of *Ptolomy*, viz. 30. *No pretermittas centum & viginti conjunctiones; In his enim posita est cognitio eorum quæ sunt in mundo & generationis & corruptionis*: In your generall judgement passe not over the 120. *Conjunctions*. For the knowledge of Mundane affaires is posited therein, as well of generation as corruption: that which I now handle is the first in order of the 120. but because few there are that understand *Aphorisme*, or what those one hundred and twenty *Conjunctions* are, I will orderly in a subsequent Table put them down, as also the dignities and debilities of all the seven Planets in this present *Conjunction*, 1643.

The Dignities of the Planets in the Conjunction, 16th.

Saturn his Fortitudes.

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| Free from Combustion. | 5 |
| Direct in Motion. | 4 |
| Increasing in Number. | 2 |
| In Conjunction with Jupiter. | 5 |
| Swift in Motion | 2 |
| In reception of Venus. | 4 |
| In the second House. | 2 |
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Debilities of Saturn

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| Occidentall. | 2 |
| Peregrine. | 5 |
| Diminishing in light. | 2 |
| In Termes of Mars. | 2 |

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Jupiter his Fortitudes.

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| In his own House. | 5 |
| Free from Combustion. | 5 |
| Direct in Motion. | 4 |
| Increasing Number. | 2 |
| Swift in Motion. | 3 |
| In second House. | 2 |
| | 20 |

Jupiter his Debilities.

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| Occidentall. | 2 |
| Diminishing light. | 2 |
| In Termes of Mars. | 2 |
| In Conjunction with Saturn. | 5 |

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Mars his Fortitudes.

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| Free from Combustion. | 5 |
| Direct | 4 |
| In the fifth House | 3 |
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Mars his Weaknesse.

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| Occidentall. | 2 |
| Slow in Motion, | 2 |
| Peregrine, | 5 |
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Sol his Fortitudes.

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| Swift in motion. | 2 |
| In the 2 ^o . | 2 |
| In Termes of Venus. | 2 |
| | 6 |

Sol his Debilities.

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| Peregrine. | 5 |
| Face of Saturn. | 1 |
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Venus her Fortitudes.

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| Free from Combustion. | 5 |
| In the 2 ^o House. | 2 |
| In Termes of Jupiter. | 2 |
| | 9 |

Venus her Debilities.

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| Retrograde. | 5 |
| Slow in Motion. | 2 |
| Face of Mars. | 1 |
| Orientall. | 2 |
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Mercury his Dignities.

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| Swift in Motion | 3 |
| Occidental | 2 |
| In the second | 2 |
| Direct | 4 |
| Face of Jupiter | 1 |
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Mercury his Debilities.

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| In Detriment | 5 |
| Sub Radiis | 4 |
| | 9 |

Luna her Fortitudes.

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| Free from Combustion | 5 |
| Increasing in light | 2 |
| In Termes of Venus | 2 |
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Luna her Debilities.

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| Peregrine | 5 |
| Slow in Motion | 2 |
| In 6 House | 3 |
| Face of Mars | 1 |
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Latitude of the Planets.

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| Saturn, 2. deg. 6. min. | M. D. |
| Jupiter, 1. 6. | M. D. |
| Mars, 1. 41. | S. D. |
| Venus, 7. 28. | S. D. |
| Mercury, 1. 11. | M. D. |
| Luna, 4. 34. | M. D. |

The Diurnall Motion of the Planets.

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| Saturn, 7. min. | |
| Jupiter, 14. | |
| Mars, 31. | |
| Sol, 1. deg. 13. seconds. | |
| Venus, 26. min. | |
| Mercury, 1. deg. 55. min. | |
| Luna, 11. deg. 57. min. | |

The Antiscia of the Planets.

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| Saturn, 4. deg. 34. min. | } <i>Libra.</i> |
| Jupiter, 4. 34. | |
| Mars, 28. 52. | <i>Cancer.</i> |
| Sol, 22. 26. | <i>Libra.</i> |
| Venus, 7. 14. | <i>Scorpio.</i> |
| Mercury, 14. 14. | <i>Libra.</i> |
| Luna, 14. 58. | <i>Cancer.</i> |

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| Saturn, Jupiter, 4. 34. | <i>Aries.</i> |
| Mars, 28. 52. | <i>Capricor.</i> |
| Sol, 22. 26. | <i>Aries.</i> |
| Venus, 7. 14. | <i>Taurus.</i> |
| Mercury, 14. 14. | <i>Aries.</i> |
| Luna, 14. 58. | <i>Capric.</i> |

Saturn hath Fortitudes

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Jupiter hath

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Mars hath

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Sol hath no Dignities.

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It is time I enter upon judgement, which I would willingly do; but that in prosecution hereof I must first explain some curiosities, not vulgar to many English Astrologers; my intention after that being to proceed methodically.

First of the Agent, viz. a *Conjunction* of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*.

Secondly, the Patient or subject matter in which the Events shall happen.

Thirdly, the place, Countries, or Kingdoms, the events shall appear in.

Fourthly, the space of time the effects shall continue.

Fifthly, the nature of those effects, whether good or evill.

Some reduce all to this Latine Verse,

*Cur? ubi, seu quando, quibus & quid provenit do: others thus,
Ubi, quando, in quo genere rerum: cujusmodi.*

Where? when? in what kinde of things? the nature and quality, viz. good or ill.

Of the Agent, viz. a Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter.

Those that are not versed in Astrologie must know, that *Saturn* and *Jupiter* are the two chiefeſt Planets, and do once, and but once in 20. years, or more truly in 19. yeares, 318. dayes and twelve houres, come to *Conjunction* in some one of the twelve signes; when they are both in one signe, degree, and minute of that signe, then they are said to be in *Conjunction*.

They do also usually make ten severall meetings or *Conjunctions* in signes of the like nature, called a *Trigon*, *Triplicity*, or *Triangularity*; these ten *Conjunctions* they perform in 198. yeares, 265. dayes, &c. and then they desert that Trygon, and fall to their *Conjunctions* in the subsequent in an orderly proceſſe, as out of the fiery *Triangularity* into the earthly, &c.

The ancients formerly wanting those exact Tables the latter ages have produced, were of opinion that *Saturn* and *Jupiter* might and did make 12. and sometimes thirteen *Conjunctions* in one *Triplicity*, of which minde was *Guido Bonatus*, *Albumazar*, *Abraham Avenarius*, *Alcabitiuſ*, *Haly Rodan*, and many others. The reason of their miſtake was, becauſe they did proportion eight ſignes, two degrees, and

and thirty minutes, to be the true processe of Saturn and Jupiter, betwixt one Conjunction and another, viz. if at their leaving of the watry Triplicity, they first met by Conjunction in no degrees of Aries; by adding 8. signes, 2. grad. and 30. minuts, in their next Conjunction they should meete in the second degree and 30. minutes of Sagittarius, for so many signes, degrees and minuts it is from 00. 00. Aries. If to 2. grads, and 30' of Sagittarius you againe adde 8. signes, 2. grad. and 30. min. the third Conjunction in the fiery Triplicity shall be in the fifth degree of Leo, and so you should do in all the rest. By this account, the two superious must make 12. Conjunctions in each Triplicity, or ever they could go through the 3 Signes of that Trygon.

For if you multiply 20. viz. the space of time betwixt Conjunction and Conjunction by 12. viz. the number of Conjunctions, they will produce 240. for the measure of time, or the revolution of the two Planetary Conjunctions in one Trygon, and then it will be 960. years, ere they compleatly finish their severall Conjunctions in the foure Triplicities, for if you multiply 240. by 4. the number of Trigenis, it makes the result 960.

But this Hypothesis is fals, for the modern Calculators do say, and that with more verity, That the years betwixt one Conjunction and another, are nineteen, 318. dayes and twelve houres: so that the two superiours come to Conjunction 47. dayes, and some houres sooner then former Astrologers conceived: and the processe of degrees they run from one Conjunction to another, is not so little as 8. signes, 2. grad. and 30. minutes, but somewhat more, viz. 242. grad. 59. m. 9. seconds or 8. signes, 2. grads, 59. min. and 9. seconds, which is 19. min. more than the Ancients allowed. And yet I do not finde that this manner of proportion doth exactly concur in that Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in 1603. 14. Decemb. at what time by Origanus Saturn and Jupiter were in Conjunction in 9. g. 36. m. Sagittarius. Let us make experience for example sake: If I adde to 1603. 19. years, it brings me to 1622. the 14. of Decemb. being a Common yeere is the 348. day of the year, to which if I adde 318. dayes, the number allowed more then 19. years, it makes 666. dayes, from which if I substract 365. the complement of a whole year, there remains 301, for the day wherein, according to the rule aforesaid, the second Conjunction should happen, viz. 27. day of October 1623: the Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter was by Origanus his Calculation, the eight day of July 1623. one hundred and eleven dayes sooner: but let us examine the signe and degrees of the two former Conjunctions by adding eight signes 59. min.

to the signe and degree of the *Conjunction* in 1603. Place of the *Conjunction* after 8. Signes, 9. grad. and 36. minutes of *Sagittarius* :

Sign. 8. grad. 9. min. 36.

Sign. 8. grad. 2. min. 59.

Sum. 16. 12. 35.

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| From 16. signes being more then the | Sig. 16. | 12. grad. | 35. min. |
| <i>Zodiack</i> , I subtract the whole | Sig. 12. | 00. grad. | 00. min. |
| Circle, and there remains ———— | 04. | 12. | 35. |

By this reckoning the *Conjunction* in 1623. should have been in the 132. grad. of the *Zodiack*, or after, 4. signes, and so in 12. grad. 35. min. of *Leo*, for *Aries*, *Taurus*, *Gemini*, *Cancer*, being numbred *Leo* succeeds; but the true *Conjunction* according to *Kepler*, was in 6 grad. 45. of *Leo*; and so also by *Origanus*.

By meanes of this addition of so many Signes, it came to passe that *Alstedius* did mistake, when he said in *Thesauro Chronologiae*, fol. 482. Anno 1642. *Accidet Coniunctio*, Saturni & Jovis in *Ariete*, (the *Conjunction* was in *Pisces*) *que pertendit novi alicujus imperii revolutionem*. In the year 1642 there shall happen a great *Conjunction* of κ and π in *Aries*, which portends a Revolution of some new Monarchy.

That excellent Mathematician *Kepler* did also, by some such rule without further Calculation, say the same in : *Lib. 2^o. Epito. Astronomia*, fol. 188. Anno 1603. *Coiverunt Saturnus & Jupiter in Sagittario*, Anno 1623. in *Leone*. Anno 1643. in *Ariete*; Anno 1663. in *Sagittario*: Saturn and Jupiter made *Conjunction* in 1603. in *Sagittary*. In 1623 in *Leone*. In 1643. they meet in *Ariete*: and in one thousand six hundred sixty three in *Sagittario*, &c.

I have the rather been tedious herein, to shew that there is not any certain rule can be made, whereby without Calculation the true *Conjunction* of Saturn and Jupiter may be had, for there will be variation in degrees, if no worse errour happen. The best Tables now extant are *Keplers*, I conceive them to be so exact, as its possible for the Art of man to frame, and they perform the motion of the Planets with much verity, being handled by an able Artist: to conclude then I say, as ten times two degrees, make 20. degrees, and ten times 59. doth make ten degrees wanting ten minuts; nay not so much, because ten time nine seconds make 90. seconds, a minute and a half, all these put together make up, 29. deg. 51. min. 30. seconds. Therefore this being the Complement of a Signe, the two superiours can make but 10. *Conjunction* in one Trygon, and no more, &c.

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When one of the Conjunctions of Saturn and Jupiter is called greatest, great, mean or the least.

The latter Astrologers, as Cardan, Naibod, Origanus, Haghen, and since their death, Campanella say, That there are three kinds of Conjunctions, which in Latine they tearm *Maximam*, viz. the greatest: *Mediam*, viz. the mean or middle: *Minimam*, viz. the least of all. *Maxima vero Coniunctiones appellantur, quæ in Trigono igneo fieri incipiunt, in primis Ariete, primo Zodiaci signo; Cum enim in illis ex aqueo in igneum signum, quæ qualitatibus primis sibi maximè adversantur transitus fiat, maxima quoque mutationes in illis temporibus in toto mundo accidunt.* Orig. fol. introduct. 449. They are called the greatest Conjunctions which begin in the fiery Trygon, and especially in *Aries*, the first signe of the *Zodiack*; for when a Transit is made out of the watry Triplicity into a fiery signe, which are contrary to each other in their first qualities, then are there in the whole world the greatest mutations and alterations, &c.

And that this is the true sense of all Authors, viz. that that onely Conjunction is called *Maxima* or *Magna*, and no other, which is the first Conjunction *Saturn* and *Jupiter* make in the fiery Trygon, and especially in *Aries*, I prove by many examples. *Alcabitius*, diff. 4. *Major autem omnibus Coniunctionibus est Coniunctio Saturni & Jovis in initio Arietis.* The Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in the beginning of *Aries*, is greater than all the other Conjunctions; of which opinion is *Naibod*, fol. 353. In *Com. sup. Alcab.* Etenim prima, omniumque maxima *Saturni* scilicet & *Jovis* Coniunctio in principio *Arietis* celebrata, tempora generaliter disponere videtur. The first Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* celebrated in the beginning of *Aries*, seemes generally to dispose of the times, and of all Conjunctions is the greatest. *Maxima coniunctio dicitur cum permutando se ex aqueo, signo Arietem ingreditur*: Its called the greatest Conjunction, when the change is out of a watry signe into *Aries*, *Card. Seg. 1. Aph. 67.* Of the same judgement is *Johannes de Saxonia*.

Paulus Præficius sacerdos Aversanus is more plain. *Quod Triplex quum sit Saturni & Jovis Coniunctio, remotissima illa quæ noningenis annis (it should be 794. & diebus 331.) contingit maxima dicatur; quæ autem per singulos vigenos annos ex quo conjuncti jam fuerint, minima: Atque post singulos ferè ducentos & quadragenos circuitus (vult potius 198. Annos & 265. dies) quod inter minimam hanc ac maximam remotissimamque illam contingit, media:.* Sith the conjunction of *Saturn* and

The profit which may arise in the Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in the beginning of Aries is great, because it is the first Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in the fiery Trygon, and especially in Aries, the first signe of the Zodiack; for when a Transit is made out of the watry Triplicity into a fiery signe, which are contrary to each other in their first qualities, then are there in the whole world the greatest mutations and alterations, &c.

and Jupiter is threefold, that which is most remote and happens but once in 900. years, is called the greatest (it should have been in 794. and 331. dayes) that which is from the time of their last meeting once in 20. years, is stiled the least: but that which is after a progresse, circuit or compasse of 240. years (it should have been 198. yeares and 261. dayes) and is between as it were the greatest and the lesser, is called a mean or middle *Conjunction*. Sed Ptolomæus & Haly in *Centiloquio* & proposit. 58. & 64. volunt intelligi per conjunctionem majorem, conjunctionem, Saturni & Jovis in Ariete, & media conjunctio eorum est, cum mutatur in novam Triplicitatem, & conjunctio minor cum conjunguntur in reliquis signis. Johannes Anglicus dist. 2. fol. 16. But Ptolome and Haly Rodoan his Commentator in 58. and 64. proposition, will have us understand by the greater conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, that it is onely when they enter Aries: their mean conjunction, when they remove into a new Triplicity, and so the least conjunction, when they are joyned together in severall parts of the signes of the same Nature.

Avenaris a learned Jew translated out of Hebrew into Latin by Henry Bate 1281. Shall conclude all, *Conjunctio autem magna Jovis est cum Saturno, in signo Arietis, quod est, quia sunt stella graves & tarde, & non significant super particularia, imo super communia: & quia signum Arietis est signum primum inter signa, ergo hac conjunctio vocatur magna, sed quando vadunt a Triplicitate ad triplicitatem, tunc vocatur hac conjunctio media, conjunctio vero ipsorum de 20. in 20. Annos in signis Triplicitatis, quæcumque sit illa vocata, est conjunctio minor, Avenaris, fol. 79. de conjunctionibus.* But, saith he, the conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter is called great when its in the signe of Aries, because they are pondrous and slow Planets, and signifie no small matters, and Aries is the first amongst the signes, therefore such a Conjunction is called great: and when they remove out of one Triplicity into another, that conjunction is called *media* or meane: but their Conjunction every 20. yeares in signes of the same Triplicity, be it in what signe it will, it is called the least Conjunction, or a lesser and no other, &c.

By what I have collected, I gather thus much, That when the two superiour Planets remove out of the watry Triplicity, and enter the fiery, and do therein make their first conjunction in Aries, that is, properly by all antiquity called *maxima* or the greatest Conjunction, and no other, unlesse improperly was so called, but that: Now if upon their mutation of Triplicity they first convene in Sagittarius or Leo,

if the word of the esseendant shall be in the ascendant or sign ascending, or shall have a * or Δ affixed unto the signe ascending; but more properly to the degree ascending; within the mobility of his own orb; or if in the ascendant there be

igneus est Christianorum: Dasipodius, Aphor. 54. This Trigon represents Christianity, saith he. Those actions performed under the dominion of this Trigon, do farre in honour and glory exceed all the rest: *Conjunctiones in signis igneis, si fiant, rum mundi imperia & monarchia constituuntur propter Solis, & Jovis dominium: qui significant tranquillitatem in mundo, apparent etiam sapientes & insignes viri, magna sterilitates propter dominium planetarum calidorum parumque humidorum: Dasipod. Aphor. 64.* If Conjunctions be in fiery Signes then Empires, and Monarchies are erected, because *Sol* and *Jupiter* do rule that Trygon, and they signifie tranquillity in the world; many wise men and famous appear in the world: generally barren years, because the Planets are rather hot and dry, then moist.

Fiery Triplicity.

THe Aphorisme is generall, but for the most part, when *Saturn* and *Jupiter* make their first Conjunction in *Aries*, God suddenly raiseth up some new Monarch of great force and command, that by warre, and the destruction of some neighbouring Princes enlargeth his Dominions, and quite destroyeth the former Dominion they had, and the Laws they lived under. For many ages the posterity of this Princely man continues, and rather rules with strict hand, then with a gentle rod, and yet after fourty Conjunctions, his off-spring decayeth in fame and repute, and by little and little diminish, so that in fine, his own Subjects do parcell out his Inheritances, and convert them to their proper uses.

If *Saturn* and *Jupiter* have their first Conjunction in *Leo*, some sturdy Prince, of an *Herculean* Valour, but not *Cressian* Purse, troubles all his Confederates, and all Princes grow ravenous, and exercise tyrannie some one thrives, and gets by all his indirect means, yet in the height of all his greatnesse, vanissheth by sudden death, or is much molested by his Vassails, leaving no perfect conquest to his Posterity, who may much brag of a valiant Ancestor, themselves never after performing any service deserving the name of his kindred: That Trygon breeds valiant men, but extreemly unfortunate, and generally under that Trygon, the first position beginning in *Leo*, the evils are fixed, and every Prince doth then vainly conceit of himself to bee the onely *Alexander* for Magnanimity, when as in truth, the perfections of that great man are buried, and these upstarts have but the shadow of him.

If the first Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* happen in *Sagittarius*, the world seems weary of former warres, and upon small intestine will be ready to hearken to peace: some ancient family is decaying, and a new one repairing and exalted: an appearance of Schisms, and new Doctrins, but none priviledged by authority: the Church much troubled with curious niceties, men stumbling at straws, and striding over blocks: the majestie of *Jupiter* is such in *Sagittarius*, all things tend to peace, and do the Devill and Jesuits what they can, there will bee tranquillity upon the most parts of Christendom, during the first twenty years of that Trygons government; All the actions of those years ending in Treaties, Leagues, Messages, and the like. Many men will be in hope to aspire to greatness, the end crowns only one. But because *Sagittarius* is a double bodied Signe, two generations passe not without superlative discord to the actions, or beginnings of this Conjunction. Wee must not poize down our judgement with example, lest wee be thought partiall. Let it passe; I come to the Earthly Triplicity.

Earthly Triplicity.

THe affairs of this world, which most flourish under the earthly Trygon, or are most principally agitated in the world during these severall Conjunctions in *Taurus*, *Virgo*, and *Capricornus*, are the displacing of unfaithfull, and perfidious Viceroyes, Governours of Armies, Towns, Forts, and of all manner of men, of any quality, that are either entrusted by any Emperour, King, Prince, or any Principality, or private State, or that have great Offices under them, and in this generall Catastrophe, they suffer most, whose Ascendents in their Nativities are *Scorpio*, *Cancer*, or *Pisces*.

Then doth it happen, and usually it never failes, but there are great Inundations, Earthquakes, many Comets, and Blazing-stars, much Idolatry, and Superstition in the Religion every people professe: It also commeth to passe, that the Revolution of this Trygon, or during the Conjunctions of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in *Taurus*, *Virgo*, or *Capricornus*, that, that Kingdom is dissolved and brought to nothing, which had its originall in *Cancer*, *Scorpio*, or *Pisces*. Much famine, and scarcity of provision for man and beast.

If the first Conjunction in this earthly Triplicity, begin in *Taurus*, many stately Palaces, and curious Structures, brave and Princely Monasteries, Noble mens Houses, admirable in Architecture, and de-

and shall be healthfull with us to the living: and in 1682. 1683. 1684. 1685. 1686. 1687. 1688. 1689. 1690. 1691. 1692. 1693. 1694. 1695. 1696. 1697. 1698. 1699. 1700. 1701. 1702. 1703. 1704. 1705. 1706. 1707. 1708. 1709. 1710. 1711. 1712. 1713. 1714. 1715. 1716. 1717. 1718. 1719. 1720. 1721. 1722. 1723. 1724. 1725. 1726. 1727. 1728. 1729. 1730. 1731. 1732. 1733. 1734. 1735. 1736. 1737. 1738. 1739. 1740. 1741. 1742. 1743. 1744. 1745. 1746. 1747. 1748. 1749. 1750. 1751. 1752. 1753. 1754. 1755. 1756. 1757. 1758. 1759. 1760. 1761. 1762. 1763. 1764. 1765. 1766. 1767. 1768. 1769. 1770. 1771. 1772. 1773. 1774. 1775. 1776. 1777. 1778. 1779. 1780. 1781. 1782. 1783. 1784. 1785. 1786. 1787. 1788. 1789. 1790. 1791. 1792. 1793. 1794. 1795. 1796. 1797. 1798. 1799. 1800. 1801. 1802. 1803. 1804. 1805. 1806. 1807. 1808. 1809. 1810. 1811. 1812. 1813. 1814. 1815. 1816. 1817. 1818. 1819. 1820. 1821. 1822. 1823. 1824. 1825. 1826. 1827. 1828. 1829. 1830. 1831. 1832. 1833. 1834. 1835. 1836. 1837. 1838. 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lightfull in Situation are erected; Men wallow in luxury, and wantonnesse overspreadeth those Climates subject to *Taurus*, or those are the men especially that most actively manage the great affairs of the World: the Husbandman hath many times excellent crops of Corn, but no great successe in his Cattle, the Murrain destroying his bigger Cattle, and the Rot, or such like disease many times the lesser Cattle. I shall relate a story, within the memory of man, out of *Assuerus in fatromathematicis*, fol. 206. Refert *Diomedes Cornarius*, cum Anno 1598. & 1599. per universam Germaniam quadam bovm pestis immaniter grassaretur: ex decreto Archiducis *Matthia*, a Collegio Medico *Viennensis archigymnasii*: Qua nam tanti contagii causa esset, questum fuisse; Medici responderunt communicatis consiliis, Duas potissimum occurrere, unam remotiorem nempe *Astrologicam*, alteram propriam *Physicam*, quasi prior non esset vel maxime *physica*: *Astrologicam* quidem allegarunt hanc, Quod Anno 1597. in *Tauro* visus esset *Cometa*, tum etiam *Conjunctiones* multa in signis ruminantibus; Deinde & hanc addiderunt rationem *physicam*, quod diuturna precessisset *nebulosa coeli constitutio*, & humiditates terra ob inundationes induta; unde pascua infecta essent ex ejusmodi humiditatibus, atque *Aer* contagiosus redditus ex demortuorum pecorum decubitu. Cedo, vero, lector quis uspiam esse possit tam obtusa ingenii acie, qui non videat hanc posteriorem rationem esse longe communissimam; quae si valeat, jam non solos boves, sed & oves, porcos, capras, equos, aliaque id genus animantia communibus & pascuis & Aere utentia, pestis promiscuo corripere debuerit: Confectaneum igitur est, ut quanquam causa illa & *pandemia*, & *endemia*, denique & *epidemia* simplices malum auxerint; vera tamen & propria istius pestis in solos boves grassata causa non statuatur, post Deum, alia, quam coelestis illa a syderum *Syzygiis* deducta.

Diomedes Cornarius relateth, That in the years 1598. and 1599. there being an universall Pestilence, which unmercifully consumed the Oxen of Germany, the Archduke *Matthias*, commanded the Colledge of Physicians in *Vienna*, to shew the cause thereof. The Physicians returned their answer; That there were two causes, one *Astrologicall*, but that more remote; the other more near, and that was *Physicall*; As if the first cause were not more *Physicall*: They said, The *Astrologicall* cause was; because in 1597. there was a Comet seen in *Taurus*, and there were also many *Conjunctions* of the Planets in ruminating signes. (Astrologers call *Aries*, *Taurus*, *Capricornus*, signes ruminating, because they represent those creatures that chew the cudd) The *Physicall* reason the Colledge gave was, That there

there had preceded a cloudy constitution of heaven, and the earth very moist, by reason of inundation of waters; whereby the Pastures were infected with surplussage of moysture, and the ayre made contagious with the death of the dead cattle: Give me leave, Reader, (saith my Author) was ever any man such a blockhead, that perceives not the latter reason to be a common one, &c. Thence it would have proceeded, that not onely Oxen, but Hogs, Sheep, and Horses must have perished with the infection. The true cause therefore, saith *Assuerus*, after God, is no other, then that which is drawn from the Aspects of the Planets, and Constellation of heaven.

If the first Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* be in *Virgo*, the effects materially fall upon men; their quality Kings, and Potentates; much affliction and great damage to Archbishops, Bishops, Priors, and Clergy men, they are disgraced, and displaced, but for what cause none know; the Civilian and inferiour Lawyer, and many Judges unjustly handled, for *Mercury* having much to do in *Virgo*, he employes mens wits to nothing but treachery, when *Saturn* and he have any Aspect to each other, either of them being therein, viz. in *Virgo*: And it sometimes comes to passe, that under this Conjunction, some Princes, meerly by a trick of wit, lose all their fortunes without fighting, and so are fooles all the rest of their lives. Many dearths.

If *Saturn* and *Jupiter* make their first meeting in *Capricornus*, it portendeth a great variation in the Ayre, and the weather: it argueth a change of government in those Churches, or Countries subject to *Capricornus*, and that then much silly Superstition shall bee intruded upon the common people; It lightly in Christian Common-wealths erects some superstitious Orders of Friers, and affords them large possessions:

And if there bee any dying sinner in those times, in such a good condition, as he would willingly erect some Pest-house, for sinning Friars, its alwayes observed, the good confessing Priest will have the pleasantest Mannour he hath, wherein the whole Fraternity may have freedom at large, to perpetrate their close devotions: *Saturn* in *Capricornus* loveth the most profitable and usefull places, and grounds; but the *Moon* and *Venus* having to command in the Trygon, have a little, if not most regard to pleasure, luxury, and good honest feeding.

A Conjunction in this signe inventeth many admirable inventions in Mineralls, and many enrichments to cultivate the earth: it afford

eth plentiful increase of all manner of grazing Cattle, but not much Corn, or Wine. It changeth the fashions of men in their attires, and makes men reserved, austere and grave; it procureth much sobriety, and temperance upon earth, and its inhabitants, and it enclines the Kings of this World to accumulate wealth for an unthrifty posterity; It sheweth the exaltation of many families to great preferments, though themselves were descended of mean parents. The Yeoman in England, and the Peasant in France, and the Flandrian Boor breed up their children gallantly, &c. But those words are mysterious and not explicable.

Airy Triplicity: under which

THere are generally flourish in the World excellent learned men, both in judgement and Science: Its a time, wherein all Arts have countenance, and all Artists encouragement, by which learning increaseth, and excellent Mechanicks are cherished. The World, or the affairs of Princes Courts, and Kingdoms are subtilly, and closely governed, for the most part, by Princes meanest servants. If *Saturn* and *Mercury* give them their Character, those fellows are directly Rascalls, Atheists, perjured Villains, that do all for their own advantage; Dissemblers they are, not fearing God, or loving their Prince, whose ears they do not onely inchant, but stupifie with forged lies, advancing their own proper ends. Will not *Mercury* procure men to speak much? and *Saturn* to dissemble much? *Saturn* was never yet found an enemy in jest, nor *Mercury* a friend in good earnest.

If so be *Saturn* and *Jupiter* have their first Conjunction in *Gemini*, the learned that then flourish, write more words then matter, and endeavour with Logick and Philosophy to maintain dangerous positions, which should rather be concluded with verity and honesty. This is understood in Divinity; But I conceive the point may be stretched out to an other kind of learning.

If the first Convention of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* be in *Libra*, Divines then living, handle matters with great profundity and learning, and their works remain famous to succeeding Ages: Divinity is now handled like Divinity, saying that sometimes they strain too high a point. Magick is earnestly sought after, which this foolish age condemns; though King James said; *Magus* (was) *rerum humanarum divinarumque perscrutator*; A meer searcher into Divine and Hu-

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mane Learning: And *Agrippa* in his Epistle to *Trithemius*, maintains, *Magum apud literatos viros, non maleficum, non superstitiosum, non demoniacum sonare; sed sapientem. sed Sacerdotem, sed Prophetam.* That a Magician amongst learned men, was not accounted a Witch, a superstitious or devillish fellow, but a wise man, a Priest, a Prophet. But let an Angell preach this doctrine, it will not be received. Under this Conjunction so beginning, great actions are done in the world: The Marchant thriving by Sea, and by Land: If a Monarchy, an Heresie, or Order of Friars, or a Common-wealth begin now, it endureth very long; not so much supported with Armes, as Wisdome, and dexterity in Treaties, by which surreptitious kind of prudence, immunities are obtained from such, or such a Common-wealth, as afterward are never to be regained.

If so it chance, that *Saturn* and *Jupiter* bee in Conjunction, their first time of leaving the earthly Trygon, in the signe of *Aquarius*, which is the joy and delight of *Saturn*, not only famous men in life, learning, and conversation arise, but also in honesty, integrity, and Religion; *Saturn* is so over-joyed in *Aquarius*, he permits *Mercury* but little dominion to do ill; wherefore excellent Schoolmen, Mathematicians, Astrologers, and men learned in every kind of learning, do find great encouragement in the world, so that the composition of all manner of excellent learning, comes usually from men living in these times, as born under a Conjunction in this Trygon.

Of the Watry Triplicity.

Last of all, when the two Superiors make their return into the watry Triangularity, which *Mars* doth principally rule; There are stirred up for Religion, and by the Clergy, many most dreadfull warres, as also many contrary Sects, and opinions in Religion, strange Engines for warre, and the destruction of mankind are framed, many plagues, and pestilences afflict the Earth. Yet if *Saturn* and *Jupiter* make their first Conjunction in *Cancer*, the Common-people make some gentle Commotion, or desire to have some reformation in Religion; and rather then fail, they crave help of the Nobility, by whose means they obtain their desires with moderation, and without blows: And although it might be otherwise doubted, because *Saturn* in *Cancer* is in detriment, and *Mars* in his fall, yet I do conceive, *Cancer* being the onely House of the *Moon*, the signe where *Jupiter* is exalted, and where *Mars* hath the onely government,

ment, by Triplicity, all things go on in a loving way. unlesse *Mars* at the time be unluckely placed in *Libra*, and then nothing but change of opinion, new found Tenents in the Church, and what not? Not any Sectary knowing his owne heart: for let his Prince give him leave to broach one errour, and he will perform it with proclaiming twenty.

Certainly if *Mars* have no hostile radiation to the then Conjunction, the power of *Jupiter* will perform wonders.

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Æthere cognatum nostris in mentibus hæret.
Crediderim fas, ac lege, & jura, pinmq̃
Et rectum manare, & amica fœdera pacis.*

If any faith in stars there be, or from the heavens so high
We knowledge do derive, when Jove doth rule the skie
Believe me then, both Law, and Rights, or what is just we have,
Leagues friendly, blessed peace besides: what more can we then crave?

Many Churchmen of inferiour Rank, come to great fame, and fat Benefices in the World, and admirable preferment in the Church; Private grudgings betwixt the ancient Nobility and the Clergy, &c.

If *Saturn* and *Jupiter* have their first Conjunction in *Scorpio*, upon leaving one, and entring this Trygon, wherein neither *Saturn* or *Jupiter* have any materiall dignities: An egge is not so full of meat, as the Church of factions. Princes Courts are the Seminaries of sedition, faction, luxury, and lechery; ill government follows, feeble Princes, and masculine Queens, bloody warres, pestilentiall diseases: Now one of *Mars* his lying spirits hath licence to make the Prophets preach untruths, and the Priests to babble vain words for sound Doctrine. Post Conjunctionem Saturni & Jovis in Scorpio, surrexit secta venenosa, que tanquam lues totum pervasit orbem: After a Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in *Scorpio*, an untoward Heresie arose, troubling all the world. Campanella.

If *Saturn* and *Jupiter* begin in *Pisces*, Reformation of Church and men; is talked of, and much expected; its long in agitation, unwillingly prosecuted; a generall Councell amongst Christians; Heresies and novell opinions vex the Church: The signe is common, Men are double tongued; Can Authority settle they know not what? In an other sense, *Stultus interrogator facit sapientem deviare*; Things done now, continue not a whole age; Its good to be sure.

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The Agent handled, viz. a Conjunction of Saturn
and Jupiter.

THe present conjunction of which I now treat, doth happen in 25. degrees and 26. minuts of *Pisces*, the Ascendent of the Scheme is *Sagittarius*: *Neque enim ex signo conjunctionum duntaxat effectus cognoscimus, sed ex coorientium figura*: For onely by the signe of the conjunction, we do not judge the effects, but by the figure ascending at the time of the conjunction: *Sciendum autem est minus esse mali in aspectibus signorum, quam partium, sic enim inevitabiles sunt effectus*: so Prolus upon Ptolomey: had I treated of some aspects of these two planets, viz. either of the *Sextile*, *Quadrante*, or *Opposition*, there had been lesse matter or mischief to be thought on, but it being a conjunction, the events will be very strong and inevitable; this is spoken with too much aggravation. *Jupiter & Saturnus mutant res & convertunt, eritque variationis initium, cum mutantur ex una figura in aliam in conjunctionibus*: Almanfor. 127. *Jupiter* and *Saturn* convert and change matters; when in their conjunctions they change out of one form into another, there is the beginning of variation. This Conjunction beginneth in a perfect *Trine*, to the last Comet we saw, viz. In 1618. that began in 25 *Scorpio*, the signe wherein the first conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, was in their last return to this Trigon: this conjunction is in *Pisces*, the last signe of the *Zodiack*, and of this Triplicity. It may please God after some cruell stormes and with much vexation to the whole Christian Common-wealth, this Conjunction may perfectly conclude such things, as shall remaine imperfectly begun by the Comet, when the effects of it are determined, this Conjunction being an assistant to execute Gods decree, intended by that former heavenly apparition, but in a milder execution, and not so violently. But if any shall say, Why did not the little Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, 1623. seeing it was after the apparition, work and cooperate as well as this present Conjunction? I may answer easily; That matter was not then prepared, but preparing, that Conjunction having no affinity, with either the signe of its first apparance or almost with any it passed through, during its continuance: for the Conjunction then was in a fiery signe, and rather stirred and fitted materialls for the building, then other wayes: we know the progresse of the Comet was in *Scorpio*, *Libra*, and *Virgo*: And yet that Con-

if you find an unfortunale planet in the 10 or 11th
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Rosa oleum lake in the 11th if it be a male planet
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about wood or timber and if Growth or upon
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junction, I am sure, passed not away without a heavy touch of its malice, which came fully upon us, when in a due measure of years, it was Gods will, the effects should break forth upon England, viz. 1625. But now *Pisces ob Jovis domicilium, aquas dulces nobis suppeditat*, Pro. fol. 70. Being *Pisces* is the house of *Jupiter*, let us hope he will supply us with sweet and pleasant waters, we have had too much bitter: *God grant us better dayes.*

In the Schem of this present Conjunction, *Saturn* is absolutely the strongest, *Majus infortunium Saturni est, cum fuerit in signis femininis; Martis cum fuerit in masculinis*, Almanson. proposit. 83.

Saturn doth most mischief in Feminine signes; *Mars* in Masculine: in our Schem they have such a position: *Insuper, si Saturnus sit in loco, in quo dignitatem habet; significat quod gens antiqua locum inhabitans quemcumque, devicta non erit, neque de loco suo extracta, & propter naturam Saturni multiplicabuntur per mundum odia, rancores,urbationes, fames, & infirmitatum species*, Avenaris, fol. 80. Moreover if *Saturn* be in the figure where he hath dignity, an ancient people shall not desert their habitations, nor be drawn out of their own soyle; hate, rancour, trouble, famine, and severall sorts of infirmities shall be multiplied all over the world: *Saturn*, *Jupiter*, *Sol*, and *Mercury* are in their motions very swift, exceeding their mean proportion very much, which may be one reason, why the effects hereby signified, shall quicklier begin and go forward with greater vigour during their continuance: *Quanto sydus majus est, ac motus velocior, eo etiam opera syderis sunt manifestiora*, Dasipod. Apho. 8. The swifter a star is, and the greater, the more eminent are his operations, *Climatum differentia facit, ut celerius aut tardius eventus proveniant, & ut planeta in angulis sunt vel cadentibus vel succedentibus*; Carda. Seg. 5. Aphorif. 98: The difference of *Climates* causeth the events to come sooner or later, and according as Planets are placed in Angles, cadent houses, or succedent.

Et generaliter, si fuerit infortuna fortuna cadenti copulata, aut infortuna elevata, fient due infortune; nihil ferme juvantes & multum nocentes, Generally if an infortune be joynd to a fortune, either cadent in house or otherwaies, both become infortunes; helping firmly nothing, but impeding much. Car. Seg. 5. Aphorif. 123. *Quod si fortuna elevatur, infortuna juvabit quidem; sed & nocebit, quoniam detrimenta magna facilius est inferre, quam felicitates, impediunt q. detrimenta felicitates, felicitates autem detrimenta impedire non solent*: If a fortune be in Conjunction with an infortune, and in a cadent house,

house, and the fortune be elevated, the infortune may do good; but he shall also do mischief: for its easier to infer or produce great damages or losses then blessings: detriments do impeach happineses but very seldome that happineses do impeach or keep back mischiefs. Card. Seg. 5. Aphorif. 124.

I judge Saturn, Jupiter, and Mars, wholly Lords of the Conjunction; and although Mars is not very powerfull, yet being Lord of the tenth, and having exaltation in Capricorn an intercepted signe in the ascendant, and in longitude neer *Oculus Tauri*; I do allow him a Prerogative in judgement, and not without just grounds in Art. Some and those very good Astrologers, have esteemed Jupiter to be most strongly fortified in the Positure, and that he was directly Lord of the Conjunction, he hath the signe for his, and is elevated above Saturn, as having 60. minutes lesse South Latitude then Saturn: how much elevation is of consequence in this matter, and what it is, I handle hereafter. Thus much I say, Had Jupiter been so powerfull, we might have expected from so benevolent a Planet, that which *Aratus in Pheno. fol. 49.* saith in another sense: *A Jove principium, &c. Plena vero Jovis omnia quidem compita; Omnes vero hominum catus: plenum vero mare & portus: ubique autem Jove indigimus omnes: Hic vero benevolus hominibus commoda significat: All places are full of Jupiter; man, the Sea, heavens, what not? This benevolent Planet signifieth all manner of emoluments to man, but heare it by Pontanus excellently and to the purpose in Urania, fol. 2903. Its Jupiters property being sole Ruler.*

*Secula, perpetuumq; annos extendere in ævum,
Tanta Jovis placidi clementia,*

But being corrupted by the predominancy of Saturn, the same Author tells us what may be expected.

*Ni malus Airo
Sydere torpentos Saturnus funderet ignes,
Funderet & lethi causam infelicis, & omne
Morborum genus, & misera mala plurima vita:*

viz. Jupiter being chiefe, he makes this age as happy as the former, or gives addition of blessings, and extends his benevolence many years.

So much is the clemency of the mild Jupiter: but having affliction by Saturn, one mischief comes in the neck of another, unhappy causes of mens deaths, every kinde of ill and unwholesome diseases, and

Calculation of a Pleas in the Christian from the first of the month of January 1600 to the first of January 1601, so is the Calculation

the many miseries of mans life are increased. I desire every Reader to picke out my meaning out of short sentences and Aphorismes, my intention being not to make a Comment. *Benefica si superata fuerit: efficatia ejus minuetur, & imbecillior fiet. Proclus. fol. 74.*

If a fortune be overswayed by an infortune; his efficacy in working his effects is diminished, and is more imbecill.

The Planets are all subterranean, viz. under the earth, certainly Gods Providence is wonderfull; the Conjunction in 1603. was in the twelfth house, that Conjunction in 1623. in the sixth house, this in the latter part of the second, if not part of it in the third: All men know, the two former houses mentioned, have no affinity with the ascendent, the one intimates the obscure managing of mundane affaires since 1603. by a close hand not visible; but if you will know who it is; observe Mercury is neer Jupiter and Saturn in consultation; who is he; Mercury is Lord of the ninth, its Religion, or the Religious; Mercury in detriment signifies counterfeit.

Religion or the politickly Religious; or superstitiously Religious, had; or were to mannage the actions of that first Conjunctions Rule and Dominion.

Come we to the Conjunction in 1623. observe, Mercury is then with Cor Leonis, as if the Clergie should get Regall Countenance and support to maintain their errors; if that will not serve; observe, Mercury is in the seventh house; he will stir up war and bloodshed: By whose means and procurement? Is not the seventh house the place of heaven signifying women? why then, the female Sex shall be furtherers of an erroneous Clergie, & of the Apostate Jesuits, I say, of all their private designs, which have, or shall involve all Christendome in blood and slaughter. But if some say Mars being in the figura Conjunctionis, 1623. in his exaltation, how comes it to passe, Episcopacy and the Clergie now faile in 1642. or 1643. First, I say, that since 1623. for many yeares their power was great and formidable, but at what time the Comet came to touch the ninth house of his figure; and when Mars by due direction came to the Opposition of the Sun in the sixth of the figure 1623: as you shall see, if you subtract 8. deg. 20. min. the place of Mars, from 24. deg. 36. min. the place of Sol, there remains 16. degrees and 16. minutes, which put into time, make 16. years and 3. moneths. Adde 16. years and 3. moneths to the 8. of July 1623. and it brings you to the year 1639. and moneth of October. Who knows not that, to be the year of the Prelates first sense, that they should forsake their lusty Benefices and fat Bishopricks, and of the

Calitudo in 10 distans of a planet from 4 Beliptike either towards 4 north or south; by which means we come to say a planet shall either dep 4 towards or meridional Calitudo; when either he recedes from the 4 Beliptike towards 4 north or south only 4 Move the continuance in 4 Beliptike and never hath any Calitudo;

sensible dislike the Nobility and Commonalty took against them, for it was much about that time, they would have imposed a new Common Prayer Book upon the Scottish Nation, and some Inquisition-like Canons on the patient *English*. This present Conjunction 1643. is also subterranean, as if God would not yet give light to mortall men, what really he intends by the return of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* into the fiery Trygon; some glympses we have now and then, either by Eclipses, or the like; but if we observe things rightly, matters are not carried as apertly as in former times: *Latet anguis in herba*: All the affaires of Christendome are managed by a Cabinet Counsell, by almost an invisible society, which lurk in every place and are every where, and yet no where: The actions intended by some, during the continuance of this Conjunction, are such, as God would not suffer a Planet to be above the earth to countenance them; such like affaires being so detested by man, and so punishable by God, as in thought a righteous soule detesteth naming the least part.

The *Sun* (that is *Lux mundi*) is in a watry signe, as if he shed tears at the rehearsing, and so is both *Saturn*, *Jupiter*, and *Mercury*, as if young and old should weep their fill; the *moone* being the goddesse of the night, is in the sixth house, and in an ayrie signe, as if she intended to fly into the desarts, and give no light at all, rather then to such foul intendments.

It had been good, that either the actions or the contrivers of these calamities had been strangled in their cradle and infancy. But againe to my figure, which when I have adorned with those fixed stars, which are neer the Cuspes of the twelve houses, and the Nature and quality of every house, not orderly, but somewhat confusedly, I then shall handle the effects, although I give in every line almost a little light of what may be expected.

Sciendum porro est, stellas fixas dominari: fixas sumemus tum splendidas que sunt angulares, tum que sunt in parte Ecliptica: Proclus fol. 67.

We know the fixed stars have also power; those we take which are either Angular, or of great magnitude, or those which are in the Ecliptick.

I begin with the tenth house first, for if Kings and Princes be not first remembred, they will take it in pet, scorne, and derision: *Arcturus* a noble fixed star culminateth, he is of prime magnitude and nature of *Jupiter* and *Mars*, his Latitude which is much, brings him to mediate heaven with almost the second degree of *Scorpio*: the Longitude

tude of *Arcturus* is in 18. deg. 56. min. in *Libra*. In the name of God why do Princes shoot so far from the mark? all men know *Libra* is a humane signe; had it not been better to have rested therein; then to make transmigration into *Scorpio*: a signe which presents falsenesse, vaine oathes, treacherous Protestations; yet they would be reputed notwithstanding gods, and Saints; if they would really be so; *In Divis nihil est quo angantur, sed omnia equali quadam felicitate transigunt; Cardanus de Intelligentiis*. The gods or Intelligencers never are molested; they do all things justly, or with equall Justice. With the Cuspe of the fourth house, a small star of the nature of *Saturn* and *Mercury* descends.

The tenth house represents Kings, Emperours, Princes, Dukes, Marquesses, Lords, Viscounts, Sir *Thomas* and Sir *John*, both Knights, &c. Authority; Magistracy, Courts of Justice and of Princes, and Lord chiefe Justices, Judges of all Courts, or any man in command, or exercising power over another, all offices, the profession any man lives in, be the quality or trade what it will: if either the *Sun* or *Jupiter* be in this house, or command that; its a signe of happinesse in the matter in question, provided, they not onely aspect the house, but have essentiall dignity where they are, either *Saturn* or *Mars* herein mar all the roost.

The fourth house naturally signifieth our predeceffours, as Fathers, or Lands, Tenements and hereditaments, also pastures, fields, woods, towns besieged, treasures under ground; in *figura mundi*; it signifieth Kings wives, great persons wives, and Concubines, and being rightly understood it tells Kings who are their enemies, what Nation or people do love or hate them, but this is *In judicio magnarum, mediarum & minarum Conjunctionum, & in Eclipsium tam solarium quam Lunarum, medium Cali, Reges, legesque Dominos, judices, & etiam praliorum dominos, Angulus autem, terra partes, & terras, locum etiam, in quo natus est infans. Almanfor, propos. 89*. It agreeth with my former signification of the houses.

Upon the Cuspe of the 11. house called the good Angell, there is a fixed star of the third magnitude, being the formost star in the palme of the left hand of *Ophiuchus*, of the nature of *Saturn* and *Venus*, having 17. degrees of Boreall Latitude, and with the Cuspe of the fifth house there descends an obscure star of the nature of *Mars* and the ☾, and its placed in the brest of the Bull, and hath 8. degrees of Meridionall Latitude; very neer unto it doth descend the *Pleyades*, of a stirring, active and seditious nature; shall our eyes behold the father against

10 signification is when you find another planet in aspect to or conjunction with that planet who is in printipe significatione; this said planet shall have signification more or less, and other things to do in my judgment. 2. How signification is desired, and so hath something to do in my judgment. affecting a thing desired; if a friend be pleased; he notes good; if an enemy be angry; he notes evil; if a friend be angry; he notes evil; if an enemy be pleased; he notes good; if a friend be angry; he notes evil; if an enemy be pleased; he notes good.

gainst his son, and the son in arms against the father? Shall the assistance and aids one Prince sends another, either be unseasonable, or of no concernment? Shall the forraigner seldome finde the way home againe, unlesse he can devoure a Canon, or wade thorow the Sea? Can *Saturn* and *Venus*, that represent Kings favorites, be good counsellours to their masters, the one being old, the other not so, there being perfect antipathy betwixt them? Do not these villaines betray their Princes secrets, each in opposition to other, while the poor Potentates study and admire how their Counsells are detected: all men know *Venus* is youthfull, and *Saturn* cynicall or churlish. This hard fate will follow the Courts of Kings, for many yeares yet ensuing.

By the eleventh house, we meane Kings servants, Favorites, their assistants, good name and fame; friendship, the provision both of men and money for them, their amunition, &c. their Exchequer or Treasury.

By the fifth house, I understand, Embassadors, (which in our climate will play their Prankes.) Children, Playes, Banquets, Ale-houses and Taverns; Messengers, Agents for Republicques, &c.

Upon the Cuspe of the twelfth house there ariseth with the seventh of *Sagittarius*, which was the degree almost of the great Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, 1603; two fixed stars of the nature of *Mars*, *Jupiter*, *Saturn*, and *Venus*, and these are on the right knee of *Ophiuchus*: The house it self is the house of imprisonment, of Witchery and Sorcery, all underhand practises, of those enemies which work all manner of mischief and yet are not visible; of whispering Raschals, of malice, dissention, private revenges and quarrels, of Horses, Cowes, and Oxen, Asses, and Camels; it tels the fate of the Kindred of Princes, is it not the third from the tenth: I mean not this in Kings Nativities, but in Eclipses, Conjunctions, and *Sol* his ingresse into *Aries*.

So many Planets neer the Cuspe, and *Mars* in opposition to the Caspe of the twelfth: shall we have Souldiers, Church-men, Nobles, and the whorish *Venus*, and now and then a Kinsman to a King, all in fetters, or imprisoned; or shall *Mars* in vaine afflict that house, and destroy none of these Creatures at one time or other: Can these whisperours live alwayes so clandestinely, that neither a halter, a sword, or musket can finde them?

Upon the Cuspe of the sixth we have two fixed stars descending, of the nature of *Saturn*, *Jupiter*, and *Mars*. This house signifieth all man-

signifying the house of the King's servants, favorites, assistants, good name and fame; friendship, the provision both of men and money for them, their amunition, &c. their Exchequer or Treasury.

ner of sicknesses, and Servants both Male and female: all little Cattle as Sheep, Hogs, Goats, &c. Shall Saturnine diseases, as the Spleen, old aches in mens bones and joynts, quartan Agues, Surfeits by colds, Rhumes and Palsies, a dry Coughs, Lameness, &c. afflict?

Shall the Consumption or wasting of the Lungs, a *Joviall* disease; Pluresies, distemper in the blood, and much ventosity, or Fluxes in both kinds, torment us? Or shall the running of the Raines, sharpe Feavers, and madnesse be upon us; which are Martiall diseases? I omit to repeat wounds in the head, face, and thighs, &c. Shall the Servant strive to be equall with his Master, nay, to beare rule over him: this sounds like the dream of *Joseph*, so much contemned by his brethren, but so fully afterwards verified.

The Cuspe of the ascendent, or first house, hath two stars co-arising with it, of the nature of *Mars* and *Luna*, *Saturn* and *Venus*; of the Scorpion, the first chine or joynt next the body, the other is of the two stars, of the North part of the sting of the Scorpion, without forme the Southermost: *Hinc Lachryma*: the unruly multitude stir up sudden commotion, and involve themselves in Labyrinths: and as the fixed star neer their ascendent is without form, or is a Chaos; or *rudis, indigestaq, moles*; so it may be conceived their judgements being unrefined, they labour for, they know not what; can neither digest matter or form, for what they will pretend: and yet they will stir up matter to gravell the most parts of *Europe*; nor will beleieve, they know any thing, till they are well beaten: which in fine they will be. Old men also and young Melancholy maids, will helpe to foment, and put for wards the effects of this *Conjunction*.

This first house is called, the Horoscope in Nativities; the Ascendent in Eclipses, Conjunctions, and horary questions; it signifies in our *Conjunction*, the State of the Commonalty of *England*; the State of the people; how it shall go with them, well or ill: In Nativities, it represents the life and beginning of man; and partly his completion, and condition, &c. With the Cuspe of the seventh house, which generally signifieth, women, war, contention, publique enemies, there doth descend divers stars of the nature of *Mercury* and *Venus*; these two Planets ever represent youth, witty facetious men, jests, and such like: Papers, libels, pamphlets, or vaine books; young men and maids shall have a share in setting the world at variance, and shall also suffer by the effects of this dismall *Conjunction*, and the calamities thereupon depending.

Mercury represents Secretaries, and Clerks of Councells, Messengers

of the part of fortune, how to be it: either by Day or night
 1. to be so long doth not more consider a plan of fortune than
 Character of it, both no aspect, but any planet may cast there upon
 into it the greatest rage of it, that without of him was or made of it for

have with them a Star of the third magnitude and nature of *Saturn* and *Mercury*: its an addition of strength to *Saturn*, that he hath a star of his own nature joyned with him; and *Jupiter* is, in strength somewhat diminished, to have a fixed star of the nature of his enemy, in Conjunction with him; he's the more invalid to resist the Potency and malice of his insulting enemy: for that Axiome is not ever true, *Quicquid ligat Saturnus, solvit Jupiter*: what ever *Saturn* hinders, *Jupiter* helps: that's onely to be understood, when *Saturn* is lesse predominant than *Jupiter*; for at all times, and in every signe and house of heaven, this is not true. If he mean Magically, it is true, with its proper limits: For let one be bewitched by *Saturn*, or by a man or woman of *Saturn* his conditions; the cure must be by observing the progresse of *Jupiter*, by hearbs to him appropriated, gathered and applied when he is *valde potens*, in his houre, &c.

With *Mars* are the *Lampadas*, *Succula*, or *Aldebaran*, all of the nature of *Mars*, *Jupiter*, and *Luna*: from hence arise sudden tumults, commotions, much bloodshed, and want of duty in servants; and inferiour sorts of people; the one to their Masters, the other to their Sovereignes.

With *Sol*, who represents the equipage of Princes, are some (*Stellae juvenantes*) and but some, of *Jupiter*, *Saturn*, *Mercury*, their natures; the Sun may cry out for more helpe, himself being peregrine; and *Almanfor* in proposit. suis saith, *Planeta Peregrinus*, &c. is like a man thrust out of all: *Venus* is joyned with a fixed star of the Nature of *Mercury* and *Saturn*, as also *Jupiter*, but *Jupiter* comes in last of all: *Post est occasio calva*: *Venus* signifies Ladies, Queenes, and she is also significatrix of the Clergie.

Mercury having particular signification in our Scheam of such as make strife and contention, and of faithlesse servants, is accompanied with a fixed star of his own influence; we may note, Birds of a feather will flock together. *Luna* is with a fixed star, of the nature of *Mars* and *Mercury*, generally she signifieth (*omnem hominem plebsium*) when *Mars*, *Mercury*, and *Luna* are together (without a miracle) they incline a man to be a knave, false, and treacherous: what shall be the result of a consultation, where *Mars*, *Mercury*, and *Luna* meet, *Insanum vulgus*, never pleased: In this position, the significatrix of the commonalty in generall is so ill placed, so weak in fortitudes, they have great cause to mourn, weep, howle, and lament; but little neede of a paire of Bag-pipes, &c.

omnibus planis. We do 4 company; the manner either niger or day to take in
in this; first consider the sign, degree and minute of 90. secondly sign
degree and minute of 90. 3dly subtract if place of 90 from 90, the
3dly 12 sign to 90. if it can not doe it other ways; remains 20 sign to
add to 4 sign and degree of 90 ascendunt; if both add together

whereby they were made uncapable of the exact time of the two superiour Conjunctions, and so of having a right Ascendent of the true Conjunction, we are content to take the signe, and degree, and the latitude of the Planet, without further consideration: And hereupon it was that *Cardane*, who lived in the dayes of *Edward* the sixth, wanting those conveniencies, which this age, by the industry of *Tycho*, and others enjoy, burst out into these speeches, when hee spake of these Conjunctions, and how impossible it was to have the exquisite Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, because *Jupiter* doth exceed *Saturn* in diurnall motion, sixe minutes, seldome seven; *Ad hoc discrimen nullus mortalium, nec instrumento, nec aliter discernere potest: in Coment. lib. 2. Ptol. fol. 215.* The disadvantage is such, quoth he; no mortall man, either with Instrument, or other wayes, can discern the time of the true Conjunction. But since I had the Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in 1603, so exactly performed, by Sir *Christopher Heydon* with Instrument; and the same (*de novo*) calculated by the excellent and industrious, Master *Matthew Fiske*, out of the *Rudolphine Tables*, betwixt whom there is no sensible variation, but in place of the Moon: I say, I conceive it possible, and I do believe I have the Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in 1643. exquisitely done by the same learned hand: and that either he, or any, as able as himself, may compass the true moment of any Conjunction. But because the word Elevation is of great extent, you shall see more fully, how many wayes a Planet is said to bee elevated above another:

1. The Planet that is less distant from the *Apogeon* of his *Eccentric*, is more elevated, then he that is more remote. 2. A Planet above the earth, is elevated above one below, or under the earth. 3. A Planet in the midd heaven, or near it, (or tends from the Horizon to the tenth House) is above him that is in the eleventh House: hee that is in the eleventh, is elevated above him in the twelfth: hee in the twelfth, above any in the Ascendent. 4. If all are above the earth, the nearest the midd heaven. 5. If all are under the earth, then the next to the Ascendent. 6. The Latitude is considerable, *viz.* the elevation of a Planet, according to the Latitude of the *Zodiack*. In Conjunctions, North Latitude is preferred before South; and therein the greater Latitude North, the greater elevation; if both have South Latitude, he that hath least, is most elevated: for in truth hee is neerest the *Ecliptique*.

Notwithstanding this Elevation, of which the Ancients so much
 Flood

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stood upon, I shall make it appear by the consent of later Authors, and Reason it self, the best Author, that something else besides elevation, is considerable in judgement of these superiour Conjunctions, and that the essentiall and accidentall Dignities are of more concernment then sublimity, &c.

Pontanus in Coment. 63. Aphor. Ptol. *Quum autem fieri possit, ut pari sublimitate aut declinatione ferantur, quid tunc servandum esset, non expressit Ptolomeus, relinquens nobis considerata permulta, quibus examinari vires utriusque, atque invicem pensitari debeant:* But sith, it may so happen, as both Planets are carried with one and the same sublimity and declination; Ptolomey doth not then direct what is to be done, leaving us to consider many things, and amongst the rest, the severall fortitudes of either Planet, are to be pensitated, or looked after.

Cardanus resolveth the question more perfectly, in Seg. 2^o. Aphor. 2. *In omni planetarum conjunctione cum planetam dominatorem constitue, qui sublimior fuerit in Eccentrico, & parvo circulo, & qui in loco plures habuerit dignitates, & qui plures stellas sue natura similes habuerit.* In every, or any Conjunction of the Planets, constitute him Ruler, who is highest in his Eccentrick, and in his lesser Circle, and who hath most Dignities in the place of the Conjunction, and hath most starres of his own nature with him.

Doctor Dee, a learned Britain, and one of the acutest Astrologers the last Age produced, in Aphorif. 116. consenteth with Cardanus. *Circa illas 120. conjunctiones, generalissimam nos hanc proponimus methodum; quando solum duo ex septem copulantur, 21. varie esse possunt conjunctiones, & in illarum singulis quis duorum planetarum erit fortior considerari debet.* Concerning the 120. Conjunctions Ptolomey speaketh of, we deliver this generall Methode; When two onely are in Conjunction, there may be 21 Conjunctions, in every of which conjunctions, we ought to consider which is strongest. So saith Theodoricus Hagheu; *Eorum effectus secundum fortitudinum convenientiam evenit:* The effects of the Planetary Conjunctions do come to passe according to the conveniencie of their Fortitudes. By all which, I do affirm it the safest way, whereupon to ground a certain judgement, to examine the fortitudes and debilities essentiall, and accidentall of the two Planets, at the time of their Conjunction, according either to the Methode of Darius, Leovitius, Junctine, but especially of Origanius, fol. 539. And I conceive the meaning of Ptolomey in that 63. Aphorif. was this; That when both Planets in a Conjunction have equall

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equall fortitudes or debilities, that then wee are to consider, which of the two is in the highest part of his Epicicle.

In our present Conjunction, *Saturnus transit Apogeon, 20. Martii; & Jupiter in Epicyclo superiorem partem 23. Martii.* By this means, *Saturn* is nearest his Abfis: *Origanus in fine Ephemerid.* Anno 1643.

It is therefore certain, *Saturn* hath most dignities, and *Jupiter* more elevated; by which I conceive, what Religion, Law, or Justice would have effected, shall again finde impediment by *Saturn*, viz. cunning plotting, treachery, falsehood, &c. The subject matter, upon which this Conjunction shall have most influence, shall therefore be of the nature of *Saturn* first, then of *Jupiter*, and last of all, *Mars* shall claim his part in the Tragedy, for it will be one. Wee usually say, Labour is from *Saturn*, Religion from *Jupiter*, Fire and Sword from *Mars*.

If we consider the signe ascending, or of the Conjunction it self, or the signe where *Mars* and *Luna* are, its *Bicorporeall*, *Bicorporea hominibus & Regibus iudicium praebeant, ob duplicem affectionem: Rex enim respectu subditorum, & subditi respectu regis dicuntur.* Proclus fol. 68. Double bodied signes give judgement upon men and Kings; A King in respect of Subjects, and Subjects in consideration of a King, are so called, upon a twofold affection. *Pisces* is an Aquaticall and flegmaticque signe, but very near to the Equinoctionall, and Cardinal signe *Aries*; it will not belong ere matters appear in farre different course to former times, in a more majesticall strain. The signe is appropriate to *Jupiter*, and is his House: *Si Coniunctio sit in Scorpione uel Piscibus, quae sunt domus altiorum planetarum, significant longitudinem temporum, quam signa inferiorum planetarum.* Albumazar diff. 2. cap. 1. If the Conjunction of the superiors is in *Scorpio* or *Pisces*, they being the Houses of the weightier Planets, shew a longer time of the duration of effects, then if the signe had been of the inferior Planets.

If the place of heaven be considered, as Cardane will have it, Aphor. 89. seg. 5. *In omni Coniunctione considera locum, & quis eorum sit superior.* In every Coniunction, consider the place of the Coniunction, and who is superiour of the two Planets. If this bee true, as I doubt, it is, the Coniunction it self is in the second House, or in that part of heaven, which signifieth riches, estate, goods of fortune, money, plate, household-stuffe, Corne, Jewels, or in plaine words, such things, or livelihoods, as without which one cannot live, and are the proper

proper personall estate of every man. And this *Esquidus fol. 17. In quo genere rerum apparebit effectus, hoc sciatur ex qualitatibus & formis*: And more punctually, and to purpose. *fol. 41. Conjunctio Saturni & Jovis in secunda domo, muta erit venditio & emptio; & acquisitio census, & erit multa concupiscentia in illis.* From the quality and forme of the signer, we know the manner of the effects. A Conjunction of *Saturnus* and *Jupiter* in the second House, there will bee small buying and selling, and as little enriching ones estate, notwithstanding many shall much desire it. Here are no lesse then five Planets posited in the second House; *Mars* and the *Sun* in square Aspect, the *Moon* in the sixth, applying, or rather separating, or in partill Quadrature with *Mercury*, &c. I cannot but iudge from hence, the sudden undoing of many a man, by rapine, theevery, taxes, legall, or illegall, *Mercury* makes any thing legall. I must Prognosticate great impoverishment to the estates, and inheritances of the Nobility, to the Clergy, to the Gentleman, to the Lawyer, and the industrious Yeoman, and hard labouring Farmer, the diurnall operating labourer, the curious, or idle Mechanick, the Collier, Tincker, and the most sordid of all Professions, except the hangman.

To the Merchant I divine great losse by Piracies, Shipwracks, and by broken Creditors, or bankrupt Debtors: I cannot imagine by this Conjunction, who, or what kinde of man, or of what nature, and profession he shall be of, that in these turbulent times, shall either thrive, or keep his own. As there are many Planets in the House of riches, and they in a common signe; so also shall bee the meanes whereby men shall bee impoverished; Hee that is rich to day, is not certain to abound to morrow; Hee that kept servants this Moneth, may be servant himself the next: An universall poverty in estate, in Cattle, Corne, and what not. A time most uncomfortable, I see, for some succeeding years, bad to all, good to a few.

If the tenth House signifie Kings; in generall, or particularly in our Schemae, you shall finde *Mars* but moderately dignified, as ill as *Cadent*, and worst of all, having no Aspect to the eleventh House, that signifies the support of Princes. Consider their part of fortune, projected from the tenth house; its then in *9.gra. 12.mir. Aquarius*: who disposeth of *Saturn*, Lord of *Aquarius*, doth not *Jupiter*? and is not he Lord of the twelfth, of the Ascendent, and disposer of the Coniunction it self? With what difficulty, labour, and discontent shall the Grandees of the World, supply their necessary disbursements for part of the years allotted to the conclusion of this *Conjunction*. In the next

place let me make *Jupiter* the generall significatour of Nobility, Gen-
try, Episcopacy, Lawyers. *A Jove Pralatura, a Saturno auster a Religio.*
Prelacy is from *Jupiter*, Munkery from *Saturn*: So that Cloisters of
Fryers, as well as Benefices of idle Bishops will smart, and come
short of their revenues; for as much as *Jupiter* is in the second house,
in a particular way he must signifie according to his position therein;
but because he is there personally, he may and doth in generall signifie
the persons above named, and then admitting that house for the as-
cendent, the subsequent house demonstrates their fortunes and estates,
but therein you behold the *Dragons tail*, then which there is no grea-
ter argument of either wasting all, or a remediless impoverishment,
or vast and unnecessary expences, and expending their private stocks:
as *Mars* is Lord of their house of substance, so is their part of for-
tune in *Conjunction* with him; what may that signifie, but consump-
tion of their revenues, and devaluation of their moveables: for *Gemini*
is an humane signe: if you will know by whom this shall be, *Mars*
being Lord of the tenth, points out by Authority and strong hand, by
the Souldier: the *dragons tail* denoteth vulgar persons, clownes, day
labourers, vagabond fellows; their own tenants as forward as other:
what either the Souldier, Regall commands, or Magistracy leaves, the
Peasant will in time lay hold of the rest.

Let us consider the Yeomanry and Farmers of *England*; they are generally represented by *Saturn* and the *Moon*; and together with them is involved the generall fortune of the whole Commonalty; their part of fortune is in *Aries*, in company with the *dragons* *tail*, and *Venus* being Retrograde is neer the Cuspe of the second, *Sol*, *Mercury*, *Saturn*, and *Jupiter*, all posited partly in the house; here's every one catching and snatching a part, and yet harken what *Guido Bonatus* saith, fol. 551. *Si Jupiter fuerit corporaliter junctus Saturno, erunt opera qua homines faciunt cum silentio, & operabuntur per modum religionis, & cum apparitione fidei & observatione preceptorum justitie*: if *Jupiter* be corporeally joyned to *Saturn*, men do their actions silently, cloaking all their actions with Religion, with an appearance of fidelity, and observation of the Commands of Justice. Shall this age be partaker of the sight of such men, as either in Religious habits, or pretending austerity of life, rob and devoure mens estates? it will be so, *Saturnus fert mala cum tarditate*; *Hermes Aphorif.* 90. *Saturn* produceth his influence slowly, and he makes the Jovialist, or the indifferent Clergie-man, a very worme-eaten Priest; give *Saturn* money and let the Parish Clerk preach: *hoc sufficit.*

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But I proceed, *Neque enim sufficit, vel satis est artifice scire, bonum fore aut malum, nisi proprietas cognoscatur, quale sit futurum, bonum illud an malum: Proclus in Ptol. 71. fol.* An Artift is not fatisfied, in knowing whether the thing fignified by a Conjunction be good or bad, unleffe he know the propriety or quality, *viz.* what manner of thing fhall be good or evill: In our Scheame Saturn and Jupiter have in a manner the whole or the greateft Prerogative: *Cum planeta finu duo dominantur, erit judicium ex amborum fignificatione mixtum, cum autem dominus ipfe alteri affimilatur, precipuam quandam vim obtinebit: Cardanus, Seg. 4. Apho. 21.* When two Planets Rule, the judgement fhall be mixed, and taken from them both; but when the Lord of the figure is joynd with him, or to either, he fhall obtain principall Dominion: Actions fignified by Saturn and Jupiter, fhall give us the moft eminent direction in our judgement; I fay, then Saturn for his part according to *Escuidus, fol. 13. Significatio Saturni est ad res incaptibiles, ut sunt setta vices, regna, & quodcumq; fieret in temporibus prolixis: Saturn* hath fignification to fome matters already begun, to Sects, Mutations in the courfe of this world, Kingdomes, and what ever may require long time ere it be finished: nor is this *Aphorisme* vaine, or fhall pofterity finde it erroneoufly alleadged; for my whole fpeech is in *Aphorifmes*. Saturn prenoteth much decay in tillage and husbandry, much losse to thofe that deale in Minerals, and fo in Coalemines, Tin, or Lead, for its probable, either the banks fhall fall in, or water over-flow the works; and drown out the work-men; destruction (*in fructibus ex terra nascentibus*) to fruits produced or growing out of the earth, *five in rebus qua ex abditis terra eruuntur*, or hinderance in fuch commodities, as are got out of the bowels of the earth; many curious buildings fhall be levelled, and made as low as the earth: a generall tribulation amongst all men: the prifonsfull of people; hundreds of people undone by unlucky creditors: the inheritances of very many unjustly and irregularly wrested from them: extream perplexities afflicting the minds of moft men: many defirous but few fhall be able to preserve a competency to fubfift with; *In terra erit caritas fructuum, & penuria, & vassitas maxime necessariorum ad victum; Bestiarum, boum, equorum, five ovium penuriam efficit: & eas qua reliqua sunt morbis ad fligir, adeo ne contagium ad homines perveniat, qui eis utuntur. In mari communiter naufragia, & sevas tempeftates, difficiles cursus, penuriam & interitum piscium. In hominum corporibus morbos diuturnos, tabem & consumptionem, humorum perturbationem, fluxus, quartanas febres, exilia, inopiam.*

*angustias, luctui, pavores, interitus, maxime senum efficit; Aeris sunt
nubes, densas nubes, caligines, copiosas nives non utiles, sed damnosas,
eruccas & locustas, damnum hominibus per diluvia & imbres, seu per
grandines, eo usq; ut homines fame & similibus malis pereant, Ptol. in
2^o Quadripart. fol. 99.* There shall be scarcity of graine, penury, and
great want, or want of those things are most necessary for our food
and living; it makes a dearth or scarcity of beasts, Oxen, Horses, and
sheep; and so contaminates the remainder left behinde alive, that it
breeds contagion in those that eat or use them. In the Sea common-
ly shipwracks and cruell stormes succede; hard passages or evill voy-
ages for the Merchant, scarce competent fish for our use; for a destru-
ction of fish is intended. It pollutes the body of man with dayly
diseases, consumptions, dry coughes, molestation of the humours,
fluxes, quartane agues; banishment either voluntary or enforced, po-
verty, perplexities, mournings, feares, burials, of old men especially.
Troubled ayres, thick clouds, darkenesse, plentifull snowes, nothing
profitable, but extream obnoxious: it breeds canker-wormes and but-
ter-flies to devour the tender buds, unseasonable showers hindring
mens proper seasons, with haile, and men endangered thereby to pe-
rish with famine or want of bread.

¶ A cold season follows, unseasonable mists and fogs, many apparitions in the ayre, the colour of the Elements changed, the skies many times varying from their former hue; fights of armed men, people in the night extreemly frightened with these like visions; if any faith be in the writings of the Ancients; when these or the like appear, or are more frequent than ordinary, viz. these strange alterations in the ayre, or in the heavens, in what part of the heavens these do rise, or where they first appear, or over what part of heaven they continue longest, let those expect vengeance is at hand: for whether nature being troubled, or the Aerie spirits presiding that quarter of heaven, are molested, and by this visible, but mute kinde of presage, declare to man what is approaching. I leave to be discussed by the more secret Theologers, that have yet a glimpse of the more secret learning; but meddle not with it my selfe, though I am also *philos. Artis.*

Vapores ascensi per aerem currentes, sive in forma Cometae, sive in aliis formis, infirmitates calidas, acutaq; natura designant, praetereaq; & diffusiones regnorum: Currentes vero hinc inde per omnes partes, malum universale demonstrant, si in una magis quam in alia, in illa magis erit significatum, sed si omnes igneitates in una parte discurrerint, in ipsa erit extremis omnium malorum, simul & famae: Signa quae videntur in

Cato,

Celo, vel in Luna, quæ apparuerint extra motum & cursum nature, sed alio modo, ut ita dicam, ignoto velut crucēs vel rotunditates circulares, vel sicut columnæ vel alia forme, si horam considerabis, in qua hæc apparuerint, comprehendes, certificabisq; te in significatione harum, quamvis quod ex nunquam eveniunt sine magna mutatione regnorum, illius climatis in quo apparuerint, Rigel. 87. Aphorif.

Kindled vapours streaming through the ayre, whether in form of a Comet, or otherwise, points out, hot diseases of an acute quality, as also wars and the dissensions of Kingdomes. But running here and there and through all parts, they demonstrate an universall evill: if the appearance be more in one quarter of heaven than another, in that especially shall the extremity of the signification be manifest, and not long after that, famine. Signes which are seen in heaven, or in the Moon, which appear beyond the course of nature; but, as I may so say, appear after an universall manner, as Crosses, or circular rotundities, or pillars, or of any other form, if you consider the time of their first visibility, you may divine what they intend, yet be sure they never in vaine appear, without great alteration of that Kingdome where they so first happen to be seene.

Since 1628. to this present year, we have had in England our share of these unnaturall sights in the ayre. I have observed many my self; if after the writing hereof we have any more of these unusuall astonishments in the Elements, let the rules above written be rightly applyed: and let not the French, Irish, Danish, Scots, or Hollander, or any other Nation of Europe, forget these observations. We had one strange circular appearance about the 26. of March last 1643. at what time Saturn entred into Aries, which might verifie that 33. Aphorif. of Hermes, *Saturnus quidem transeunte ab uno signo in aliud, sunt in Celo Diachohontes, quod Arabes vocant Assub, vel quadam alia signa ignea*: When Saturn passeth out of one signe into another, there are in the heavens strange fiery Meteors, or burning flames in the skies, which the Arabians call *Assub*; usually upon this his transit there are extraordinary gapings or the like, in the Firmament. These notions come to my memory occasionally, some perhaps will make good use of them, others smile, because they can conceive no naturall reason for them. I onely say, *Res multe sunt, quæ non videntur ratione naturali esse, attamen experientia multorum seculorum eas verissimos effectus habere comprobavit*: There are many matters performed, which seeme not at all to be done by naturall reason, and yet the experience of many ages have approved them to be most true.

The signification of Jupiter in this present Conjunction.

From Nature we derive naturall effects and judgements, and therefore in order I come to handle the matters wherein *Jupiter* may have a signification; for it being a *Conjunction* one Planet cannot, though never so well dignified, have all the power of disposing the effects and events to himself, but must have familiarity with others, though the quality of the events, shall most manifestly appear by such men, and in such things as he is principall dominator of.

Jupiter naturally signifieth, matters Politicall, Ecclesiasticall affairs, or Church Government, Cannons, or Presbyteriall Ordinances, Corporations of Towns and Cities, Subjects Priviledges; Courts of Justice, Obedience to Princes, Justice of Kings to Subjects; Lawes, Statutes, Ordinances, Decrees: *Johannes Anglicus Distinct. 2. Cap. 1. Et relata est significatio Jovis super observationes legis atq. decreta hominum, similia*: The signification of *Jupiter* hath relation to the observation of Laws, to Decrees, and such like. Of Persons he looks principally upon Clergy-men, because the *Conjunction* it self is in the house of *Jupiter*, and in the degrees of Ecclesiasticall men, upon such as are great, but extreemly corrupted by the presence of *Saturn*: who represents covetousnesse or superstition: In a word, this intends Superstition in Religion, and much discord in Religion, or in such things as concern the Ecclesiasticall party: Bishops, Abbots, Popes, Munks, Fryers, Protestant Ministers, Preachers, Lawyers, Civililians, Judges, Country Gentlemen; are all concerned by this *Conjunction*, and if I had said, Nobility of the best rank and quality, I had spoke truth; for what concerns, the Gentleman hath affinity to their fortunes; for of late most of them were no better. Being that *Jupiter* hath not equall Authority with *Saturn*, I say the quality of men before named, shall suffer most: The Divines suffer by reason of the Comets passage now through the house of Religion: The Gentleman, because *Jupiter* is afflicted, and is also Lord of the twelfth and first house; which denotes they have done themselves most wrong, and are occasioners of their own sufferings; and therefore harme-watch, harme-catch.

I also observe this *Conjunction* is in the fifth house from the tenth: *Caveant Reges, principes & Magnates, ne nimium indulgeant filiis. I et Kings, Princes, and great men beware, how they too much cocker their children. Caveant & Caveant ab insurrectione & perfidia filiorum*

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rum & cognatorum : Let the persons named, again and again take heed, their own children and Kinsmen prove not Vipers, and raise Insurrection. *Filius ante diem*. Jack would be a Gentleman before his Father dyeth. To as many as these words shall arive, let them observe, and preserve the sense (*inter secreta cordis*) amongst their greatest secretaries; what I say to Kings, I say to Nobility, Gentry, &c.

All former Lawes, confirmed during the revolution of 40. years now last past, by this pernicious *Conjunction* and evill Influence of *Saturn*, and weaknesse of the rest of the Significatours, that would assist, but cannot, or will not, shall be in danger of subversion and utter ruine.

Many Common-wealths and Townes Corporate shall either totally be undone and impoverished, and scarce have a face of government, or else absolutely lose both Town and government at once.

Men must not expect these accidents to happen so soon, as the words are out of my mouth; there's a time for all things: its long ere this *Conjunction* leave working, the Comet is yet in force, what remains when the Comet hath done, this *Conjunction* shall prosecute, what the *Conjunction* leaves imperfect, the Eclipse 1654. in *Leone*, will be sure to determine; at, or neer which time if we have no new blazing Star, as the Precursor of some eminent person,

What Champion may with such a man compare?

Or who, thinke I, shall be against him set?

Who is so bold? or what is he that dare

Defend his force, in such encounter met?

I much wonder: but this is out of my Text.

Those Lawes, those Constitutions, Courts of Justice, Common-wealths, Kingdomes, Monarchies, Titles in honour, or earthly families, that either had beginning 1603. or since, or much about that time increased their Authority over the poore Client, Tennant, or afflicted Complainant; these men, these Officers, these Landlords, these cruell Courts, during the effects of this *Conjunction* shall finde small cause to rejoyce, and lesser cause to insult, then ever they dreamed of: The providence of Almighty God doth so order the affaires of this troublesome age, by guiding the Celestiall influences according to his immutable Decree, that all excessse in tyranny, government, command, or exercise of illegall commands, must yeeld to justice, to a troubled and disturbed kinde of Justice. All imperiousnesse in rule, all strict and hard Lawes incroached upon the Subject by tyrannous Commanders, must either have a period or disturbance.

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Those censures Canonically, or Injunctions Civill, of too strict performance, shall either now be abolished, or alleviated, so as they shall no more be a burthen; either to the weak Christian or modern Protestant. If fire be not converted into water, or if there be not a contradiction in celestiaall constellations at this present to precedent ones, or if this *Conjunction* be not dissimilar to the last, then perhaps I may speak false, but if in Art I finde the truth of what I write, and such a conversion or transversion of every place in the Zodiack to the last, and last but one *Conjunction*; I may then Mathematically conclude, here are strange and wonderfull things to be performed, totally contradictory to the actions of the two last precedent *Conjunctions*. And certainly, as the two Planets which in effect are the subject of my discourse, are the two waightiest, and represent great actions, so the actions intended hereby, will in the full measure of time break out to be of as much concernment as I write. *Cum superioribus nunquam iudicia de rebus parvis facies; cumq; inferioribus de rebus magnis, vilescunt tamen superiores per dispositionem inferiorum, uti magnificentur & amplificentur virtutes eorum inferiores per superiorum dispositionem, Rigel. 59. & 40. Aphorif.* Judge not of small matters by the superiour Planets, nor of great actions by the inferiour: the superiours are vilified by the disposition of the inferiours, but the vertues of the inferiour Planets are augmented and amplified by the disposall of the superiours. By what I have said, I perceive, Princes will do no good of the matter, if during some succeeding yeares they intend any enlargement of Prerogative: the time is past, and Fryer *Bacons* brasse head hath lost its opportunity of speaking.

As *Mars* is the next in Order, so is he the next in dignity, for hee hath three, and is Lord of *medii caeli*, and hath exaltation in the Ascendent, therefore his judgement must not be pretermitted, hee being also Lord of the Comet in 1618. and having, or ruling the Triplicity where the *Conjunction* is, as also a term, whereby hee is made capable of copartnership in judgement. I say, hee must not with silence be passed over, for he is Angular at the *Sunne* his ingresse into *Aries*, presently after the *Conjunction*, hee was also in the tenth House, in the preventiaall new Moon, and postventionall full Moon before this *Conjunction*. *Conjunctio duorum superiorum in signo aquatico, significat multitudinem pluviarum & pestilentias. Escovidus, fol. 17.* The *Conjunction* of the two superiours, in a Watry signe, intimates many showers, and a great pestilence: So hee in generall terms. But to go on in an Astrologically discursive way: As the

two superiors, who make up, or give plentifull matter for present discourse, are in a bycorporeall, double bodied, or common signe, so is also *Mars*, of whom I am now to speak in *Geminis* near *oculus Tauri*: *Significatio principalis hujus Conjunctionis pertinger ad homines, Reges, Principes & Nobiles*. The principall signification of this Conjunction, hath relation to Kings, Princes, (not Utopian) and to Noble-men. *Haly* gives the reason, why the Conjunction being in a bycorporeall signe, should have such signification of men. *Quia sicut signa bycorporea significant, sive participant de natura fixorum & mobilium, ita homo habet participationem cum aliis substantiis omnibus: unde dicitur, microcosmus, id est, minor mundus*: Because as double-bodied signes, do participate of the nature of fixed, and moveable signes, so a man hath participation with all other substances, whereupon he is called, a little World, or a *Microcosme*.

Princes are subject to the Lawes of Nature, (*unius ejusdemque natura sumus omnes*, saith *Caius Marius*) and were it lawfull to deale as freely with them, as other men, certainly many most grievous calamities might have been prevented by a judicious prescience, either what might naturally, or contingently have happened to their private, and so particular fates, or as they are involved in a more generall way, by the Republique, unto their Subjects in generall: I do as much scorne to flatter them, as any calling whatsoever, and therefore I say: Let all the *European* Kings, and Princes that are this day living, carefully mannage the government God hath committed to them; for without doubt, this present Coniunction, and the precedent Comet, and some Constellations immediatly succeeding, will engage them, both in forraigne and domestique broiles and wars.

In Coniunctione superiorum in aqueis signis, bella magna exoriuntur propter Scorpionem, quia tamen in pacem non internecionem plerumque rediguntur propter Cancrum & Pisces. Cardane seg. 5. Aphorif. 48. The Coniunction of the superiours in watery signes, shew great warres will arise, because of *Scorpio*, yet notwithstanding they end in peace, or are brought to a peaceable conclusion, because *Cancer* is *Jupiters* exaltation, and *Pisces* his House.

Et relata est significatio Martis ad bella, & ad guerras, & ad victorias, & consimilia, quae sunt quasi fines rerum, & fines quae significant dissolutionem earum: nam bene non accidunt, nisi per observationem legis, vel earum mutationem, sectarum vel regnorum. Escuidius. diff. 2. cap. 1. *Mars* hath signification of strife, and wars, battells, victories, and the like, which may seem to be the ends of matters, of such determi-

determination as concludes undoubtedly; for warres arise not, where Lawes are maintained, but where there is mutation of them, and new sects arise, &c.

This gives gentle caveats to all inroaching Rulers; Its good they be wise in time. Can all the rules of Astrology so faile me, that I shall in this deliver a false Position? There's none but God, by a divine providentiall hand, can prevent the destruction of many thousand families in Europe. This is a hard Chapter; hee that reads it, let him amend one, and then he need fear the lesse. The effects of the Coniunction shall not easily passe away. *Cum fuerint fortes significatores, & planeta dominatores fortes fuerint, diutius durabit effectus. Anglicus. fol. 17.*

When the significators are strong, and the Planets well dignified that rule, the effects shall continue the longer. But let us see what the Ancients speak, when Mars hath any signification; I am sure in our Conjunction he hath, and therefore men must participate, and Martiall designes have a principall signification. You may beleeeve Ptolomey, lib. 2. *Quadrip. Mars ciet bella, seditiones intestinas, captivitates, excidia urbium, populi tumultus, principum iras, & propter eam causam subitas neces; propterea & febres tertianas, sanguinis eruptiones, morbos acutos, violentos interitus, juvenum violentiam, injurias, incendia, homicidia, rapinas, latrocinia. In aere vero aestus, ventos calidos, pestiferos, & rabificos, fulminum jaculationes, turbines, siccitates, in mari subita naufragia, propter flatus turbulentos, & fulmina, & similes causas, &c.* Mars having dominion in the Conjunction, tells you of wars, intestine seditions, imprisonments, the besieging of Towns and Cities, Popular tumults, wrath of Princes, and therefore sudden beheadings, or making away with the parties, violent diseases, eruption of blood, the unusuall and sudden violent death of young men; violence, injuries, burning of Houses and Towns, murders, rapines, high-way-robberies; In the ayre, there are stirred up poysonous windes, dispersion of thunder-bolts; hailestones, droughts, sudden shipwracks, by reason of extraordinary tempests.

By this it appears, that mens actions, guided by such an influence, or participating with it, are inclined to do and commit such, or actions of such like nature.

Men represented by Mars in *Geminis* generally, are handicraftsmen, Tradesmen, Merchants, Schollers, Apothecaries, Physicians, Chirurgeons, Cannonneers, Musketeers, Highway-theeves, Brokers, and Scriveners. Particularly, in our Scheame he signifieth, Generals of Armies,

Armies, Kings, Princes, Colonels, Serjant-Majors, Captaines, Men of Authority, Commanders of Towns, and Forts, men given to blood and slaughter, Scoutes, Quartermasters, Drummers, Trumpeters of war, &c. So that I perceive, the Kindes, or qualties of the events, shall appear in the things specified, and shall be performed by men accordingly qualified.

The effects which we shall assuredly feele, and of which we shall in time bee sensible, are excellently set down by *Pontanius in Urania*.

Lib. 1^o.

*Magnum opus : & jam signa Dei fulgentia terrent
Armorumque haurit strepitus, clangorque tubarum.*

Ipse Deus, rapidis insistens pronus habentis,

Tela manu quatit insultans, acerque cruento

Ore tonat, pellunt agili temone jugales

Exanguis metus, atque tremor ; tum ferreus ora

Terror, sanguineusque pavor, quatit ante flagellum.

God is now doing a great work, his glistering signes affright us : We hear the noise of weapons, and the sound of trumpets ; God himself inclines to punish us with a sharpe bridle. God shakes darts with his hand over us, and thunders with his angry voyce. Pale fear, and trembling drives away men equally yoked in the same condition of misery : hard hearted threatening, sanguine dread gives warning before the lash. All this works nothing with some : Yet in these Kindes specified by mee, and by such men as are Saturnine, Joviall, Martiall, &c. shall the great work, by God intended to be done after this Conjunction, bee performed. And of this I am confident, and now come to the parts of the World materially signified, wherein the events shall most manifestly appear.

Kingdoms, and Countreys, wherein the effects of the Conjunction shall have most predominancy.

ALL Authors agree not in the distribution of the severall Countreys of the earth, to such or such a Planet. or Signe. The *Arabians* divided the severall habitable parts of the earth into Climates, and so according to the severall Latitudes of each Countrey were used to judge of the events, depending on these Conjunctions, &c. *Ptolemy* in some measure refined their error, and out of the whole earth, known to him in those dayes, formed four Quadrangles, out of *Europe, Asia, and Affrick*, as if the earth were four-square. The East part he allotted to *Saturnus*, the West to *Mars*, the South to *Vi-*

the North to *Jupiter*; the *Sun*, *Venus*, and *Mercury*, he omitted. In every Quadrant he put severall Triangles, or made in every Quadrant severall Trygons: *Aries*, *Leo*, and *Sagittarius*, hee attributed to *Saturn*, *Jupiter*, and *Mars*, and to *Europe*: *Taurus*, *Virgo*, and *Capricornus*, hee gave to *Saturn*, and *Venus*, and to the South of *Asia*: the third Triplicity, containing *Gemini*, *Libra*, and *Aquarius*, hee assigned to *Saturn*, and *Jupiter*; and the North of *Asia*, where *Scythia*, *Arsaret*, and *Cataica* are: *Cancer*, *Scorpio*, and *Pisces* hee allotted to *Mars*, and *Venus*, and to *Affrique*; and then again hee made many divisions, and partitions of every Trygon, viz. into the East, West, &c.

Sir *Christopher Heydon* did not allow of these his distinctions, and *Campanella* speaking hereof, *Pater*, *Ptolomeum curtum esse in his assignandis judiciis*. *Ptolomey* is too curt, or short in assigning his judgements in this nature. I intend neither to desert *Ptolomey*, or altogether to follow him. I conceive it most rationally, first to consider the signe, wherein the Conjunction is. 2. The Angles of the figure. 3. The signes afflicted, by the presence of any of the Infortunes. 4. Those places of heaven, the Conjunction it self casteth either a Quadrate, or opposite Aspect unto. 5. The Lords of those signes, and quarters of heaven they are in. And 6. Whether they are strong, or weak.

The signe it self is *Pisces*, a Northerly signe, and double bodied, for it represents two fishes; the Conjunction is in 25. degrees of the signe, not farre from entering *Aries*, an Easterly signe, Equinoctiall and fiery; so that hence, one may conceive, Religion, and breach of Lawes and Priviledges, or questions about such things, &c. The signe is Northerne, yet past the middle the Conjunction is: from *London* full North; and North-East shall many of the actions intended by this Conjunction be performed. Absolutely the signe points out the North, and North-East part of *Europe* from *London*. There's no Planet in any Angle, but *Mars* Lord of *Scorpio*, viz. the tenth, and *Jupiter* of the Ascendent, *Mercury* of the seventh, and *Venus* of the fourth: they all point out the North part of *Europe*, with some small Western limitation. The signes afflicted, by presence, of infortunes, are *Pisces*, *Gemini*, and *Aries*: the places of heaven with Quadrat, or Opposition are *Virgo*, the opposite signe to the Conjunction, *Sagittarius* with perfect Quadrature, and also *Gemini*; the Lords of those signes are *Jupiter*, and *Mercury*, both in succedent Houses, the one afflicted by *Saturn*, the other within the limits of combustion.

The preventionall new Moon, before this Conjunction, points out *Italy*, and *Ireland*; not much better then destruction to that Kingdom: Peace with a qualification to *Italy*, after some broyles, but with much ado, and that but for a while. The Conjunction designeth *Spain*, and the Northeast parts thereof, therein shall be much desolation, famine, and many tumults, uproars, &c.

The City of *London* in *England*, by the unlucky position of *Mars*, in her signe, being Cadent from *Aries*, and also *Mercury* his Dispositor combust, and in detriment, shall indure many hard shocks, two plagues, extream damage in her wealth, the losse of many valiant Citizens, and yet shall it bee with honour, and to her perpetuall renowne, because that *Mars* is with *Oculus Tauri*, one of the most notable fixed Stars: Nor shall any man yet alive, see the dayes Mother *Shipton* spake of concerning *London*; yet in time all Cities must have end: I rather conceive, that about the year of our Lord God 1683⁴, the City shall be in great danger, then come to a small Catastrophe, during the revolution of that fifth Conjunction.

If *Cancer* bee the Ascendent of *Scotland*, as some affirme it is, though *Henricus de Fenby* think otherwise, let us consider the *Moon*, and we finde her in *Gemini*, in the twelfth from *Cancer*. This Conjunction will affoord much distraction, discontent, sorrow, and penury to that Nation, so also to *Venice*, when shee least thinks of it, and to *Constantinople*, and the City of *Rome* her self, and the change of two Popes, if not more, before 1656. *Hungaria* is immediatly to feele the hand of warre, and not long after *Slavonia*, *Bulgaria*, *Moravia*, and *Dalmatia*; *Dalmatia* will last smart, but to most purpose. *Calabria* is now threatned; *Portugall* will bee invaded, but not conquered. Some parts of *Normandy*, in *France*; *Paris*, and many very honourable and rich Cities in *France*; as *Lions*, *Tholous*, are all subject to the lash, to popular tumults, insurrections, the sword, and pestilence, &c. Many domestique broiles shall *France* endure, more troublesome then a forraigne invasion, though both may be feared. Some Cities of *Zeland*, and Towns in *Holland* shall murmur, and intollerably suffer by shipwrack, and Piracies. *Denmark*, though * yet in Peace, by the effects of this Conjunction, and Cometary influence, 1644. or 1645. may expect a bitter potion of trouble, if the providence of Almighty God, give not an understanding, and preventionall knowledge in that State: If Art fail not, it should be so. By that, and the *Scottish* actions, I conceive I am right.

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I must write from my heart, what I conceive Astrologically to

bee intended. There is *Aries* in the Scheme, afflicted with *Canda Draconis*.

*Facet extremis in partibus orbis
 Oceano vincta, & Pelagi resonantibus undis.
 Gens Orco fata, gens Disem commenta parentem
 Caruleis quondam tellus habitata Britannis.
 England these Verses meane; and so do I; It will be said.
 Efferns has habitat sedes Deus: huic comes heret
 Et bellum, belique parens discordia, & ira,
 Injustum, insidiaque, & pallida tabe cruenta
 Cedes, inque suum rabies armata cruorem.*

Some angry God, for some years possesseth our habitations; his companions, warre, discord, and fury, the parents of warre, injustice, fraud, pale murder, with cruell Consumptions, and armed madnesse into his owne destruction.

Normay under the *Danish* Government, must be sensible of our judgment, for its subject to *Scorpio*, and both by the Comet and Conjunction must be the subject of trouble. *Flanders* I pittie thee: *Brabant* weep: *Catalonia* belonging to the Empire of *Spain* hath already suffered, and as I heare is still in Armes; be it in Armes now, or not in Armes, *Catalonia* must not yet be quiet from further molestation. *Germany*, both Comet and Conjunction point out; even she that is,

*Dives aquis, dives nemorum viridantibus umbris
 Sedarumq; parens facunda, atrixq; ferarum.*

I would I might live to see an end or conclusion of thy intestine wars, I cannot yet give thee comfort: If *Scorpio* be the Ascendent of that most honourable house of *Austria*, (which I extremely honour) thou wilt in time want friends and support; this Conjunction and the Cometary influence, designe thee out a greater blow then yet thou hast had: but be comforted; thou shalt flourish many yeares: that Crosse shall humble thee and bring thee on thy knees; but then thou wilt perceive thine enemies that for many years have betrayed thee; thou wilt take vengeance on them; but for ever after live a free Prince, untill the measure of years allotted for continuation of thy house have Period. The first Eclipse in *Taurus* and with Caput *Algol*, shall molest thee, but some of the minor Conjunctions in *Taurus* undo thee.

I wrote my mind a little before of *England*, the North-East quarter of the Kingdome, and South-west especially are to be sensible, in an ill manner, of the effects of this Conjunction, but the Comet pointeth out

out the whole Kingdome. By the Map of *England*, any may almost point out the place (*consideratis considerandis*;) *Guido Bonatus*, fol. 157. *Si significata earum Conjunctionum cadunt ut pluries super ea quæ significantur per signum Ascendentis, vel per ejus dominum, & per signum Conjunctionis, si fuerit in Septentrionali parte, accidunt mutationes ibidem, &c.* If the signification of those *Conjunctions* do happen, as many times it doth, to take place from the signe ascending, or by the Lord thereof, and by the signe, in which the *Conjunction* is; if these be in the North, from thence expect the beginning of changes and Alteration. There are many other places, Cities, and Countries, which purposely I passe over without denomination; though I am perswaded, all or most of the Countries and Kingdomes, on this North side of the Equinoctiall Line, and most of all the famous Cities therein situated, shall have vexation and annoyance at one time or other; let their Latitude be more or lesse: For as the Comet passed over the *Æquator*, and so by degrees had more and more Declination, though at first very little, yet left not his appearance, untill he came to have 60. degrees: by which meanes, one time or other, during its continuance, it was verticall to all Kingdomes and Countries in *Europe*, and so in due time its effects will manifest themselves. We have few Countries, habitable with rationall or sociable men, that exceed in their habitation the Latitude of 60. or 61. deg. and therefore it were needlesse, in our judgement, to exceede any Country beyond that proportion of Latitude: And yet without doubt, those Savages that live neer to 61. and somewhat more in Northern Latitude, shall sensibly perceive great alterations in their petty Common-wealths, 1646. 1647. So that if no Invader oppose, they will kill one another. For what the Comet in 1618. the *Conjunction* in 1623. the terrible Eclipse in 1639. the severall lesse *Conjunctions* of *Saturn* and *Mars*, and *Mars* and *Jupiter* do not performe; that shall have encouragement from this *Conjunction*, which comes in a preposterous order; and what this cannot perform, shall with a witnesse in 1654. 1655. and 1656. be accomplished by the formidable Eclipse of the Sun, and divers other configurations, then in force. But lest any one think I have deviated from *Ptolomie* and his followers, in this my partition, I shall alleadge *Proclus* fol. 61. lib. 2. *Considerandum est signum in quo contingit Conjunction, & ejus triangulus & eo perveniens quadrans, nam in regionibus quadranti subjectis, eventum esse dicemus*: Let us consider the signe wherein the *Conjunction* is, and his Triangle, and the Quadrant or quarter of heaven belonging thereto, we pronounce the

event to shew its self in those Regions belonging to that Quarter of the world: I have, for satisfaction of some friends, declared my mind herein, but with this caution, that my arguments are not demonstrative, or can be made so: I acknowledge my Prognosticks to be onely grounded upon conjecturall probabilitie, and are not subject to the senses, or Geometricall demonstration; this I speak to avoyd carping.

A Probable conjecture of the Authors, concerning the space of time, in which the effects of this Conjunction shall shew themselves; and when the world may expect a period, and England better dayes.

IF the presidents of former *Conjunctions* may either helpe our judgment, or get credit with the Antagonists of Astrologie; or if experience in matters naturall, may be beleaved; as amongst Soules rationall it should: I shall make it appear, that not any one of these *Conjunctions*, hath ever hapned in our quietest times, without some extraordinary or almost miraculous accident, and passages memorable, signified precisely by the *Conjunction* precedent, or eminent at hand: But not alwayes at the moment of its *Conjunction*, or in that year, or in some years subsequent: this was in nature preposterous, who irregularly doth nothing; we must consider in the first place, what every *Conjunction* principally is made the fore-runner of: secondly, in what proportion of time the events may shew themselves: thirdly, when any Eclipse, or *minor Conjunction*, or Annuall revolution doth put that act or accident forward into the world; do not we know that, the Physitian giving a medicine to his patient, expecteth not that it shall immediately operate, some houres he alloweth for the medicines operation. God is our Physitian, the heavens his storehouse or shop; the Planets his Instrumentall medicines, and drugges; their motion his time he gives in operation. If Physick work not, as the learned Doctor conceiveth it ought; (*aliquid later*) there is an obstruction he little thought of: If I faile in my Prognostick, God perhaps reserves the honour for some more worthy man, and so blinds my senses, or permits not me to see so much truth, as I should.

Non semper eodem modo eveniunt, sed alias plus grassantur, alias minus. The effects chance not alwayes after one manner, but sometimes assailes us more forcibly at one time, than another: *Impedimenta quæ ventura*

uentura sunt, in annis Alinthia evenient; cum pervenerit annus mundi ad corpora malorum, unicuiq; signo da annum. Almanfor proposit. 82. The Impediments which are to happen or chance in the world, will appear in the years of profection (for the *Arabians* call *Alinthia profectio*) when the year of the world comes to the bodies of the infortunes, give to every signe one year. The meaning of *Almanfor* is thus; that if the profectionall sign in any year, be the signe and degree, wherein at the time of one of the lesser or greater *Conjunctions*, an infortune was: the evill intended by that Planet in the *Conjunction*, or perhaps an Eclipse, shall apparently shew its selfe, according to its fortitude or debility, and also relation, being had to the figure of the world; which is the ingresse of the *Sun* into *Aries*.

I finde much difference in my Authors concerning the time when, and the time how long the effects shall continue. *Vide ubi ceciderit locus Alkiremi minoris ab ascendente Anni in quo fuerit illa Conjunctio: & secundum quantitatem quam fuerit inter illum & ascendens ex signis; erunt anni usque ad majus quicquam in illa Conjunctione fuerit: this is the 58. Aphorif. of Ptolomey: by Alkirem he meanes Conjunction.*

Haly expounds it thus: *Cumque sciveris illud ascendens Anni: & signum Conjunctionis: aspice quid fuerit inter illa loca ex signis & gradibus, & pone omne signum annum; & gradus partes anni secundum proportionem suam.* See where the place of the greater or lesser *Conjunction* falleth from the Ascendent of the year wherein it is; according to the number of signes betwixt that and the Ascendent, the yeares shall be betwixt that and the great action, the *Conjunction* intends: or thus, as *Haly* in his Comment, When thou knowest the Ascendent of the year and signe of the *Conjunction*, consider the number of signes and degrees betwixt them, and give to every sign one year, and divide the parts of degrees accordingly.

Trapezuntius will have this *Aphorisme* understood of Profections in Nativities, and illustrates it by his own Nativity: In Nativities we have the directions of the 5. hylegiacall places which better directeth to the fatall or happy year, far more certainly, then Profections do: for if Profection be admitted to do any thing without a particular direction; then every twelfth year the same actions must happen; but they do not so; therefore I hold *Trapezuntius* not right in this his exposition, nor indeed in many other. *Pontanus*, following the steps of *Trapezuntius*, is angry any one should think other wayes: *Hoc Ptolomei praeceptum tempestate nostra non modo non servatur ut pa-*

rum intellectum, verò malè conversum ad Jovis Saturniq; conjunctio-
nem refertur: quod ne somnari quidem Græcè ex verbis Ptolomei po-
rest. In our age this precept of Ptolomey is not onely not kept, but
ill understood; and worse than that, is converted to signifie the Con-
junction of Jupiter and Saturn; which cannot so much as be dreamed
of, out of the Greek words of Ptolomey. The two last mentioned
Authors translate the Aphorisme thus: *Averse Conjunctionis locum,*
in quo loco ab ascendente Anni est; viz. Marke the place of the Con-
junction in what place it is from the Ascendent of the year: when
the Profection comes thither, the accident happens. Some would
have this understood of the Conjunction preceding the ingresse of
the Sun into Aries, viz. if the place of heaven, wherein the Conjunction
before the ingresse into Aries, be considered, and then in what part of
heaven, at the Ingress, it happens, and observe the aspects then cast to
that place, or when any lesser Conjunction is in that degree, or in as-
pect to it; that then, and in that moneth, &c. For my own part
I conceive, it may with much limitation be so understood; but cer-
tainly its the more rationall way to understand and make use of the
Aphorisme according to Haly; for its most probable that he, being
an Egyptian, and living 400. yeares before Trapezuntinus, had as exact
a Greek copy to follow, as those times could produce: and if he
have translated it right, the Controversie is ended.

Johannes Anglicus in Tract. 1. Cap. 10. fol. 17. hath these words,
which do absolutely satisfie me: *Aspice quantum est inter Conjunctio-*
nem minorem, & ascendens anni in quo est, & intellige his per Conjunctio-
nem minorem, Conjunctionem Saturni & Jovis, cum mutatur de
uno signo ad aliud, scilicet in 20. Annis, & quot signa fuerint inter illa
duo loca, ad eos annos eris major significatio, quam ipsa significat.

See the difference betwixt the Conjunction and the ascendent of the
year wherein it is; and understand by lesser Conjunction, that of Sa-
turn and Jupiter, which they make every twenty yeares, out of one
signe into another; so many Signes as are betwixt them, so many
yeares shall the greatest signification of the Conjunction shew its self.
We will make use of this Rule in our present Conjunction, but must
not take the ingresse of the Sun, immediately succeeding the Conjun-
ction; but I must take the ingresse, the preceding, viz. that of 1642.
whose ascendent is 29. degrees, 36. min. in Gemini, or after, 2 signes,
29. deg. and 36. min. the Conjunction is after 11. signes, 25. deg. and 26.
min. if we subtract the place of the Conjunction from the ascendent of
the years Revolution, there will remain, 3. Signes, 4. deg. and 10 m.
which

which represents three yeares, and neer two moneths; so that 1643. 1644. 1645. and part of 1646. it is apparent that the effects of this Conjunction shall extreemly and most forcibly work.

But some may demaund this nicety, why I take not my measure of time from the ascendent of the year succeeding the Conjunction: to this I answer: That the Conjunction it self falleth not in that Revolution, but in the former; for the *Sun* his entrance into *Aries* is the time when we begin our Astrologicall Revolution, and before he come to the same point or beginning of *Aries* againe, we cannot say he hath performed his yearly Revolution: now the Conjunction being celebrated the 15. of *February*, you know preceded the subsequent ingresse almost 24. dayes, and therefore I could not make subtraction in difference of degrees from the ascendent of the year 1643. But because experience will onely make manifest the Question to future ages: I will also perform it the latter way, though I am satisfied in the former.

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| <i>Ascendens Revolutionis Anni 1643.</i> | <i>4. deg. 29. m. Virgo.</i> | <i>Sig.</i> | <i>deg.</i> | <i>m.</i> |
| <i>Virgo, or after</i> | _____ | 5. | 4. | 29. |
| <i>The Conjunction is after</i> | _____ | 11. | 25. | 26. |

I adde 12. *Signes*, to the years Revolution and then the difference is _____ 5. 9. 9.

By this reckoning: 1643. 1644. 1645. 1646. 1647. and half a year more almost, will be the space of time wherein the effects may most vigorously operate.

Give me leave to adde my private conjecture, concerning the heate of this Conjunctions operation: I did conceive, because we were involved in broyles before the being of this Conjunction, that wee might expect a smattering of comfort at what time *Jupiter* by direction, not Transit, might get into *Aries*, the Ascendent of *England*; and perhaps this may prove no vaine conjecture; it doth also very neer jump with the measure of years above writ. We see in the Scheme *Jupiter* is in the Termes of the infortunes, it may be hoped when he arives to the first degree of *Aries*, the Ascendent of *England*, wherein he hath a Terme and Triplicity, and meets with no impediments, he will assist the *English* either with forraigne or Domestique ayde: My way was thus; to take the Circle of Position of *Jupiter* in the Conjunction and so to perform the work.

Longitudo. Jovis 25. degrees, 26. Pisces.

Latitudo. _____ 1. _____ 6. M. D.

Declinat. _____ 2. _____ 45. Merid. Sub. terra.

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Ascend.

Ascend. Recta. 356. degrees, 11. minutes.

Distantia ab. J. Coeli. 34. degrees. 21. minutes.

Circulus positionis. 33.

Ascensio obliqua Jovis sine Latitud. 356. deg. 59. min.

Cum Latitudine. 358. deg. 5. min.

Distantia Jovis a primo puncto Arietis, Cum Latitud. — 1. deg. 55. m.

Sine Lat. — 3. — 1.

By this conjecture of mine, which is not altogether discrepant from *Escudius*, I say, that 1643. and 1644. we shall have very great action, nor shall it determine, or much cease, untill after 1645. And so it may be hoped by this order of direction, that in the year, 1645. towards the latter end thereof, we shall have great likelihood of being in a better condition then now we are in. About this time or not far from hence the Comet seemes to transmit the war to more remote Countries and habitations: That we should have any established peace before that time, I scarce beleeve. (God grant it then) for *Saturnus* on the 25. of *March* 1643. entred *Aries* the Ascendent of *England*, and therein he continueth untill the 21. of *May* 1645. at what time he enters *Taurus*, where having made progresse almost five moneths, he again, the 26. of *Octob.* 1645. comes tumbling by Retrogradation into *Aries*, (as if then he would bring in a Forraigner with a vengeance.) But on *Munday* the ninth of *February* following, he leaves *Aries* and again enters *Taurus*, (beware *Ireland*) no more then visiting our English Ascendent in almost thirty years: In Anno 1646. *June* 19, *Saturn* and *Jupiter* come to a *Sextile Aspect*; *Saturn* in 15. *Taurus*, *Jupiter* in 15. *Cancer*: *Aspice Ascensionem Planetæ, & gradum exaltationis, gradum quoque sui casus; nam hæc sunt quæ significant homines, & eorum opera: Almanfor. proposit. 129.* Behold the Ascension of a Planet and the degree of his exaltation and fall; for these signifie both the men and their works: *Jupiter* in the Conjunction now, being Lord of the Ascendent and of the signe the Conjunction is in, being then 1646. got into *Cancer* his exaltation, and in *Sextile* to *Saturn* in *Taurus*, the signe of the fourth house in the Conjunction, and at or neer that time, all the Planets except *Mercury* saluting each other with one benevolent aspect or other: those do most undoubtedly declare, that the miseries of the afflicted English do draw neer to a Period. And yet things may not be perfectly settled, or there may not be a visible face of safety untill, 1647. Let none understand me, as if I thought that about these times we should have so firme a peace or such a durable happinesse as many of us have seen formerly.

formerly: no, it will be a great comfort if then we sensibly feel some melioration of fortune to our State in generall: All the time that *Saturn* passeth through *Aries*, viz. about 1643. to 1645. I expect nothing but either destruction, molestation, war, famine, plague, forraigne Invasion, or the like, to the English; one mischiefe happening in the neck of another; all being thought concluded this day, the day following produceth new matter; and in such a condition shall we be in for some yeares, according to the course of heavens: I am doubtfull that this year 1643. *Saturn* will afflict us in the City of *London* with the plague, strange, consumptions, giddinesse in the head, and a kinde of stupid Lethargie; neither known or thought of by *Galen* or *Hypocrates*.

Towards *September* 1644. if not before, *Saturn* will be malicious to the English in afflicting another kinde of disease, dulnesse, and stupidnesse all over the the body; some shall be visited with the Plague or consumption of the Lights, and dry Coughs; and an exact Phrensie to purpose, making prophets.

In the year 1645. *Saturn* and his Angel *Orifel* will be more mischievous (if *Sol* and *Michael* his *secundeian* Intelligencer prevent it not) for not long after he is to take his leave of *Aries* and *England*, and so he will with a witnesse, if the plague in men, and scarcety of provision for men, and a generall misfortune, be any terror or affliction. These are like to happen, God not preventing.

It was observed by the learned *Cambden*, that *Saturn* cannot passe through a signe of the fiery Triplicity, but he will afflict the City of *London* with a Plague; A Plague to the City is a curse to the whole Kingdome: I have in my time seen some experience hereof: did not *Saturn* in 1625. passe through *Leo*? Did he not in 1636. passe through *Sagittarius*? the position of *Jupiter* and *Venus* in the sixth house 1644. may mitigate his fury somewhat; but 1645. I fear he will maliciously oppresse the City of *London*, if not the whole Kingdome, or most of our great Towns, either with a Plague, which is most probable, or with some generall calamity as bad, &c. For then in that years Revolution, *Mars* and *Sol* are in *Quadrant Aspect*, out of *Cardinall* signes: the *Dragons Taile* is in the *Ascendent* (I fear the poor Commonalty) the *Moon* neer the degree *Ascending* at the lesser *Conjunction* in 1643; and in the 12. house, the people will be full of sorrow; *Saturn* in the 12. of *Aries* his fall, and in the third house; now Treacherous Kinsman, Act thy part: Wo to some Eastern Countries, *Jupiter* is not much elongated from the *Plejades*, the Nobles play fast

and loose, and pay for it : the *Moon* separates from a Trine of *Saturn*, and goes to a squar of *Sol*; Kings of *Europe* offend not your people, provoke them not too much : the almost degree of the Comets appearance, now culminating, shews now, as if all the whole world were up in Armes, and all Nations mad or drunk with the fury of the Comets last Salutation, and the influence of the *Conjunction*, and co-operating Eclipses and *minor Conjunctions*. Indeed in 1646. *Jupiter* in the *figura mundi*, is in the Ascendent, but *Mercury* Lord of the Ascendent with *Mars* in *Piscibus*; matters are not yet right and perfectly settled, yet better then formerly. Some Prince either fled or Captivated. 1647. *Saturn* in 15. *Taurus*, and in the *medium Cali* of the worlds figure, one Monarchy begins to totter; and so by degrees God brings his purpose to perfection : but these judgements will be displeasing : for Princes love not to hear of such matters; I will return to my intended task; and do remember that of *Cardane*, which in some sence materially concerns this matter. *Card. Seg. 3. Apho. 85. Planeta quilibet virtutem suam ad altum perducit per Luminaria, non quod Luminaria talia significent.* Every Planet brings to passe his virtue by the Luminaries, not that the Luminaries signifie such things : if this be so, why shall not the *Sun* being in the same signe our *Conjunction* is in, give us light at what time God will openly manifest the secrets of his decrees by this *Conjunction*; if we chance to direct him to the bodies of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*. I conceive if I take the Circle of position of the *Sun*, and under the Elevation of that Pole, both the oblique Ascension of *Sol*, *Saturn*, and *Jupiter*; I shall discover the year, or very neer, when the effects shall break out, and be most visible, or when the great and principall matter of the whole *Conjunction*, shall be most in force. For I am doubtfull, because both the lights are under the earth, it will be long ere this *Conjunction* accomplish his effects, or declare what it would have to any purpose, Let no one think that because we are in *England* at the time of the *Conjunctions* appearance, in Armes one against another; or because we have many new and Novell opinions, and speak of Reformation of doctrine and discipline, that this is all shall happen, No : its not all : Or that these quarrells shall soon be composed, and Religion established : Let us go on, I confesse the influence of the *Conjunction* doth operate already, though but obscurely; for it is at present impeded by the Comets Influence, which being above the course of nature, must needs hinder naturall progressions, untill its turn is served, and that its not yet ended, there's one English man of my mind, and

he very learned, though he professe himself no friend to Astrologie. *Nuntius Propheticus*, 35. fol. *Natura mea semper hactenus a pradictionibus eventuum ex astris abhorruit*: My nature (quoth he) hath hitherto abhorred any prediction of events from the Stars: and yet see how he goeth on, in the next lines: *Fateor super-caelestia maxime in hac sub-caelestia agere*: I confesse the heavenly bodies have much to do upon our sub-celestiall. *Fateor etiam eorum superiorum errorum malorum Iliade ut plurimum Comitari*, & consequenter multum energia & potenti habere; I confesse the congresse of the superiour erratically are lightly accompanied with an Iliad of mischief; and so consequently to have signification of some eminent matters and materiall operation: but the conclusion, he thinks, kills us all; with *Ipse dixit*: *Sed id, quicquid est extra humanam scientiam, atq; dijudicationem, positum cum Tycho Brabe in re non dissimili arbitror*: But if the Astrologer can give any judgement, or if these Conjunctions signify any thing; 'tis above humane knowledge and judgement, and in such like a matter I conceive *Tycho* was of the same opinion. What this Schollers intention was to acquaint us with the star in 1572. learnedly explained by *Tycho*, or of the Comets before 1618. of *Keplers* Astrologically prediction in generall; and of *Sybilla Tiburtina* her Prophesie, and mother *Shiptons*, and *Alstedius* his conjecture of the Conjunction in 1643: and yet abhors predictions, I know not: sure I am none of these can be predicted without Astrologie, and for him to mention these predictions, and directly affirm, man hath no knowledge in the interpretation. Certainly it seems to me, *Nuntius* writ that Tract to shew he could write Latine, but either could not, or would not interpret the meaning of them; without which it were better we knew them not, or that he had not collected them. But *Nuntius* fol. 22. and I, agree very well: *Sane opinor significata Comete, 1618. Licet vates non sum nondum expirasse, hoc est, ut luculentius agam universas mutationes, quae per hoc insolens & portentosum ostensum innuebantur, nec dum terminari*. Though no Prophet, yet he judged the universall mutations, intended by that Comet, were not yet determined. But let us see when the Sun comes to the body of Saturn and Jupiter, for more full manifestation of the grand action of this Conjunction.

Longitudo Solis 7. 34. Pisces.

Declinat. M. sub terra: 9. 0.

Ascensio Recta. 339. 16.

Distantia ab I. Cali. 50. 33.

Circulis Positionis. 40. 0.

Asc. ob. Sol. ad eandem: Ele. 346. 21.

Asc. ob. Jovis cum Lat. 358. 30.

Differentia ——— 12. deg. 9. m.

The Oblique Ascension of *Jupiter*, is the same, some minutes excepted of *Saturn*: If I adde 12. years to 1642. it produceth 1654. but added to 1643. it maketh 1653. Which years if they prove not admirable, I am much mistaken. If there were any Prince borne about the year 1618. or 1623. that is naturally of heroicall disposition, he may perhaps shew himself near the *Alpes* about that time, and perform wonders with small help, I am confident, the greatest Action signified by this Conjunction, shall then, and in those years appear, to the terrour of many thousands. The very action I cannot divine, but I verily conceive, that it shall most concern the Pope and Clergy of *Rome*, who though hee shall not be absolutely then destroyed, yet shall he be so shaken, so tossed, so curbed, so forsaken, as his power after that will daily sink and decline, untill the full measure of his time is accomplished, after which hee shall never againe have either strength or being. Certainly, it may be conjectured, that about those years, God will miraculously raise up a potent Prince in *Italy*, or near to *Italy*, for that work onely, that shall little care for Bulls, or Papall curses, and one that shall either subdue *Rome*, or break the strength of the Popes authority in *Italy*. But shall *Italy* containe him? It cannot; like a whirlwinde he runs through, ooooo. (but a Northern star extinguisheth that light, &c.) Where hee assists as a friend, he conquers like an enemy, &c. But because the *Moon* is the Luminary of the time, I will see in what space of degrees shee will get above the earth, and put them into years; perhaps when she gets to the Cusps of the seventh House, a discovery of some grand actions may be.

Longitudo Luna. 15. 2. *Gemini*.

Latitud. 4. 40. *Mer*.

Declinat. Bor. 18. 1.

Ascensio Rect. 74. 13.

Dist. ab 7. Caeli 44. 42.

Elevatio Poli. 48.

Descensio ob. cum Lat. 109. 2.

Descensio sine Lat. 101. 20.

Descensio Cuspis 7. 116. 10.

Dist. Lune ab angulo 7. cum

Lat. 7. grad. 8. min. sine Lat.

14°. 50. min.

If I adde 7. years to 1642. it cuts out 1649. but if I adde 7. to 1643. it points out the year 1650. But assuming the distance of the *Moon*, without Latitude, from the Cuspe of the seventh House, they fall to make almost 15. years, which points out the year 1657. and 1658. Surely the explication of this Conjunctionall influence upon *Europe*, will be difficult to finde out, or of more concernment then at present we imagine. The swift motion of the Planets, shew a celerity in action, the sublimity of the two grand Planets being principall

pass Agents, shew the greatnesse, durability, or Magnitude of the action. *Et nimirum seditiones quæ a Saturno & Jove portenduntur sunt durabiliores.* The stirrings, proceeding from Saturn and Jupiter, are more durable.

That the principall matter intended shall not presently break out, I do judge, because both the lights, and all the Planets are under the earth. *Latet planetes, quum stella eam significans aut sub terra est, aut in alieno loco Soli conjungitur; contra patet quum e de pressione in altitudinem tollitur, proprioque in loco collocatur.* Ptol. Aphorif. 26. The matter is obscured, when the Planet signifying it, is either under the earth, or joyned to the *Sunne* in an obscure House: on the other side, all is manifest, when a Planet is brought out of his depression to his Altitude, and posited in his proper Sphear, or Element.

If wee observe the Conjunction in 1603. we shall finde it above the earth, though obscured in the twelfth House; yet the two Luminaries in Angles; the *Moon* in perfect Opposition to the *Sun* and *Venus*. Part of the action, signified by that Conjunction, broke out immediately: As King James his access to the *English* Crown rather preceded; but other matters not so soon, but lay cunningly smothered, and yet to this day are: Let the Jesuite tell you what. Look upon that 1623. The *Moon* is ascending, and the *Sun* descending, and yet in reception, as if both King and people were deluded, but yet the *Moon* getting first above the earth, discovered part of the secrets intended by that Conjunction. The *Moon* is in this Conjunction going to a *Quadrat* of the *Sun*. If not fairly, the people by foul means will discover the secrets of Princes; By foulness, I mean warre; for *Moon* and *Sun* are in square, and yet there's such juggling, to this day all is not yet discovered; but it will be shortly, &c.

The wars we now grone under, and the infinite pressures wee suffer, by his Majesties avernesse from his Parliament, and City of London; the desertion of those many Lords, and untrusty Members of the House of Commons, do all make way, and prepare matter for their owne, and posterities confusion in the first place; and next, for the utter desolation of this Kingdom, and his Majesties Posterity: And I know there's a Family, or Faction of Christendom smiles, and laughs at the folly of the *English*, sith wee do our selves what they would, but never could, without these dishonourable breaches in the Lords, and the too too obstinate Commoners, absent at this present from Westminster. It grieves me to see a people so misled, and yet know not by whom; For of the Cabinet Counsell they are not, nor his

his Majesty himself, &c. Well; Let them bee advised in time; *Post est occasio calva*: Let not specious and luke-warme pretences delude them any longer; let not them indeavour to raise a people that hate the name of Gentleman. Let the undeserving Bishop, and Clergyman suffer; they onely have stirred these tumults, with the assistance of the Jesuite; but I forbear, &c. *Non argumentis, aut ambagibus in judicando uti debemus, aut adulationibus*: Wee must not in these manner of judgements use arguments, trifles, or flatteries, but speak truth, &c.

For my own part I conceive, that for three years and a half, or thereabouts, from the beginning of the Conjunction, wee shall have sharp and quick action, afterwards perhaps, some seeming quietnesse; About 1650. or 1649. a whispering of some greater matter, or some new matter, not formerly divulged agitated, or first receives impression: matters after for two or three years, may seeme composed; In 1654. 1655. or 1656. all things are as apparent as the Sunshine, and then, either hee, shee, they, or something, declare what hath for some years been closeted in the breasts of a few: That is most certaine, *Operationes Planetarum nunquam cessant, donec contraria, a planeta aut fixa stella, aut signi parte contraria qualitas impediatur vel in Solis radios incident.* Planets never cease to work, untill contradicted by some Planet of contrary nature, or fixed starre, or signe, or happen upon the Sun-beams. If this be so, it makes me more confident, that when the Sunne comes to the bodies of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, things will happen as by me Predicted; and that in the interim, more or lesse, the effects of this Conjunction will *Annually* cause some alteration in humane affairs, and stir up mens mindes, and fit matter to receiue that judgement, which God in his providence hath from eternity decreed, and which will about that time crave the execution of his preordained Ordinances: and if that wee beleieve *Almanzor*, *Proposit. 30. Cum planeta ponderosi fuerint occidentales a sole, dabunt probitatem circa finem vita*: Weighty or ponderous Planets, being Occidentall of the Sunne, give goodnesse in the latter part of our life. Why may not this be applied to our Conjunction? and we after (*tot tantosque labores*) enjoy a most blessed time, peace, quietnesse, and all earthly blessings, which we formerly have enjoyed.

I have run somewhat an extravagant way, for determining the time of the events of this Conjunction, having no certain limitation, more then conjecturall, from the Ancients, in deciding the controversie; Yet it will not be amisse, if we try the rule of *Hermes*, prescribed in

Aphorif.

Aphorif. 100. Terminatur finis eventuum omnis inceptions, omniumque dubitabilium ipsius per hos significatores, videlicet per 4. locam, & dominum ejus, & per planetam, si forte fuerit in eodem. Item per Luminare cujus erit autoritas, & dominum ejus, & per planetam cui luminare ipsum conjungitur & dominum ejus: The end of events of every inception, and of every doubtfull matter, is determined by these significators, viz. by the Cuspe of the fourth House, his Lord, and the Planet therein, if any be; also by the Luminary of the time, and his Lord, and by the Planet to whom that light is conjoyned, and by the Lord thereof, &c. *Venus* is here Lady of the fourth House, the *Moon* is the light of the time, the Conjunction being Nocturnall, she is as it were separated from a Quadrature of *Mercury*, and applies to a Trine of *Venus*: In degrees, the difference betwixt their coming to Aspect, are 7. grad. and 44. minutes: but if under the Elevation of the Lunar Pole of Position, we take their distance by Oblique descension, we shall find them 9. grad. and 24. minutes, which added to 1643. and allowing one year for each degree, it pointeth 1652. and almost one half year, before the events be fully concluded. The Retrogradation of *Venus* may happily shew the many probabilities of determining sooner; but as things many times are near to an end, and yet are not finished, *Multa cadunt inter calicem supremaque labra*: So doubtlesse, one inconveniency or other, may for many years, when things are near conclusion, break off, and hinder our happinesse, untill the exact measure of time be fulfilled: for you must observe, that the signe of the fourth House is fixed, as also that *Venus* is in a fixed signe, so that the signification of things hereby promised are prolonged and continued.

It will be questioned by some perhaps, why I give for each degree in distinction of time, one year? Besides that I my self hold it fittest, I have some encouragement from the learned *Almansor. Aporif. 41. Cum significator fuerit inter septimam & quartam, erunt anni.* When the significator is between the seventh and fourth House, in judgement of time, you shall give years, &c. The *Moon* being in that quarter, and the light of the time. I think I have not done amisse. And that the *Moon* is to have great prerogative in determining the end of these events, *Rigel. Aphorif. 84. lib. 2. confirmeth. Finis rerum est periodus significatoris, & per quartum & dominum ejus, quando Luminare temporis cum ipso adjungitur.* The end of things, is the period of the significator, and by the fourth House, and his dominion, when the light of the time is joyned with the Lord of the fourth.

I have now almost done what I intended, but because *Origanus*, fol. 411. or rather *Cardane*, whose words they are, saith, *Non solum conjunctiones, verum etiam oppositiones & Quadrati radii superiorum planetarum magnas in mundo mutationes designant.* Not onely these Conjunctions, but their Oppositions and Quadrate Aspects designe great mutations; I have therefore inserted the progression of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, in the severall Aspects they make each to other, before the year 1663. at what time they come to their third Conjunction in the fiery Trygon.

The severall Aspects of Saturn and Jupiter to each other, untill their next Conjunction in 1663.

| Yeeres of our Lord. | Moneth, Day, and Sign, Degree, and Minute of the Day. | Minute of Saturn. | Signe, Degree, and Minute, of Jupiter. | The Nature of the Aspects. |
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| 1646 | Friday, June 19.
1. 15. P. M. | Saturn 15. 7. Taurus. | Jupiter, 15. 7. Cancer. | Sexile. |
| 1647 | Thursday, Septem. 30.
19. 10. P. M. | Saturn, 1. 44. Gemini. Retrogr. | Jupiter, 1. 44. Virgo. | Quadrate. |
| 1648 | Thursday, August 10.
13. 13. P. M. | Saturn, 15. 6. Gemini. | Jupiter, 15. 6. Virgo. | Quadrate. |
| 1648 | Thursday, January 18. | Saturn, 9. 32 Gemini. Retrogr. | Jupiter, 9. 38. Libra Retrograde. | Trine. Plavick. |
| 1650 | Saturday, May 18.
9. 12. P. M. | Saturn, 0. 40. Cancer. | Jupiter, 0. 40. Scorpio. Retrogr. | Partill Trine. |
| 1650 | Wednesday, Octob. 9.
7. 12. P. M. | Saturn, 14. 53. Cancer. | Jupiter, 14. 53. Scorpio. | Trine. |
| 1652 | Sunday, February 27.
00. 30. P. M. | Saturn, 6. 22. Leo. Retrograde. | Jupiter, 6. 22. Aquarius. | Opposition.
1. |
| 1653 | Sunday, July 10.
3. 23. P. M. | Saturn, 13. 43. Leo. | Jupiter, 13. 43. Aquarius. Retrogr. | Opposition,
2. |

The Aspects of Saturn and Jupiter after their two Oppositions by Argoll his Ephemerides.

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| 1656 | Thursday, the eighth of May. | Saturn, Stationary 16.33. Virgo. | Jupiter, 16.33. Taurus. | Trine.
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| 1656 | Saturday, the first of November. | Saturn, 2.40. Libra. | Jupiter, 2.40. Gemini, Retrog. | Trine.
2. |
| 1657 | Saturday, the fifteenth of August. | Saturn, 4.43. Libra. | Jupiter, 4.43. Cancer. | 1.
Quadrature. |
| 1657 | Thursday, the first of October. | Saturn, 10.14. Libra. | Jupiter, 10.14. Cancer going R. | 2.
Quadrature. |
| 1658 | Tuesday, the seventeenth of May. | Saturn, 12.3. Libra, Retrog. | Jupiter, 12.3. Cancer. | 3.
Quadrature. |
| 1659 | Monday, the 22. of August. | Saturn, 27.22. Libra. | Jupiter, 27.22. Leo. | 1.
Sextile. |
| 1659 | Sunday, the 22. of January. | Saturn, 12.15. Scorpio. | Jupiter, 12.15. Virgo, Retrog. | 2.
Sextile. |
| 1660 | Thursday, the 31. of May. | Saturn, 6.30. Scorpio. | Jupiter, 6.30. Virgo. | 3.
Sextile. |

A short Astrologicall judgement upon the precedent Aspects.

Were it not for the malicious Quadrature of *Mars* to *Saturn*: April 30. 1645. (both the infortunes at that time in their falls) *Saturn* being in 27. 32. *Arietis*, beholding the Ascendent of the last Conjunction with Trine Aspect: we might I say expect a mitigation of war, penury, plundering, misfortune, and other destructive miseries, and sicknesses then afflicting us, and approaching to disturb us more fiercely; but that malignant Aspect, preventing the pious intentions of the honest Protestantine party, seems to keep on foot preceding mischiefs, and by the conniving of a distempered and dissembling Religious faction, our happiness is impeded. Men of desperate fortunes, have unlucky designs; Let *Mars* and *Saturn* command, viz. the needy Souldier and superstitious Sectary; Englishman look for an end of our wars at Dooms day. Oh I cannot endure

these whining rascals, that pretend Conscience and Religion, and yet neither fear God, honour their King, or are in charity, or ever will be with an offended Neighbour: But let these dregs of irreligious villainies passe; the onely destruction of our flourishing London and Common-wealth; the onely incendiaries of every Common-wealth, let me leave them, I say, to the mercy of an enraged people, when their hypocrisy is discovered, &c. and the measure of their iniquity at the height, &c. But how long shall we suffer them.

The first *Sextile* of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* is the 19. June 1646. it may be judged some better attonement amongst us; some Treaties or foreign Embassadours may arive to intercede, and compose our unluckie differences: for *Saturn* then is in 15. *Taurus*, neer the Cuspe of the fifth in the Conjunction; and *Jupiter* in 15. *Cancer*, in Trine to the signe culminating, viz. *Scorpio*: If God give a blessing; and the presence of *Mars* in 19. *Taurus*, lately in Conjunction with *Saturn*, cause not some disturbance by *Ireland*, or the Popish *Irish* faction; much good may then be expected: Now, the true meaning and doing Protestant, Divine, and Gentleman, begin to weede out the Apostate counterfeits, who disperse to severall parts of the world, their purses well filled with the spoil of a desolate Nation: many remain amongst us, and swear outward conformity; but we cannot lade the Sea dry, &c. or ever dive into the depth of these Anabaptistickall and Independent, Seditious, intentions, &c. These are the onely *Achans* have molested us since 1642.

Upon the first Quadrature of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, Sept. 30. 1647. *Saturn* then ariving to the place of *Mars* in the Conjunction, and *Jupiter* to a square of *Saturn* by Transit; the peregrination of *Jupiter* in that signe not hindring by a double debility in signe and house, viz. if there were then no underhand dealing, juggling, shirking, and dissembling fellows in request; we might hope well, and that with some trouble we should sensibly taste the fruits of peace, or have a glimpse of it; but whether the hypocritically Religious Saints, or the disturbed Trade of an impoverished people produce nothing; or above all this the much lamented and untimely death of a gallant, and not to be paralel'd Generall, or brave field Officer, put us in confusion, I know not; here's much time spent to no purpose; but it being not the first time fowl actions smooth over deceitfull pretensions; I leave all to God: Let the Sun shine upon the Author this year, & *omnia bene*.

The *English* Nation now wearied with continued mischiefs, and most

most Nations either engaged, or having had their bellies full of war, famine, plague, murrain of cattle, and civill discord: *Saturn* at length comes the 10. of *August* 1648. to a second Quadrature of *Jupiter*: Now cunning *Saturn* being Transited to the very degree of the *Moon* in the *Conjunction*; the people have now enough seen their own folly, they sturdily resist an incroaching Clergie, and Gentry: the *Londoners* are not the last in this action, their impoverishment and sufferings are without example. Well, tyranny in Religion first broke the neck of an insulting *Episcopacy*: if now too much austerity and a little Covetousnesse and partiality produce an uproar, and work confusion; let some silly Ases thank themselves: *Merlinus Anglicus* is not of the Faction. Yet in *January* 1649. there being a Platick Trine betwixt *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, he being neer the place of the *Dragons* head in the *Conjunction*, who was then in the 9. house, properly signifying Religion; we have strong confidence of being quite cured of our distempers: both signifiers are Retrograde; nothing but dissimulation; fair words butter no Parsnips; both parties play fast and loose: The Comet now seemes to have performed its effects, we may lament that it operated so long; it leaves us, and we begin to smile: but Monarchy is not in such great request as formerly, nor by reason of a Pestilence amongst them, shall our Neighbour Enemies rejoyce; Provision may be dear: and my mother *London* had neede in time to look out, for she will have many poor; and very many sicknesses.

But behold, 1650. in May, *Saturn* in 00. 37. of *Cancer*, a Cardinall signe; and *Jupiter* in 00. 37. *Scorpio*, signes of long Ascensions, do promise us a settled beginning of much happinesse, if we over-do not: its not good to be over-wise: this Trine is neer the degree culminating in the *Conjunction*, as if Kings and Authority should recuperate a little, (by what meanes I urge not) I dislike nothing in this Trine, but that the Commonalty entrust some Potent Nobleman or else some grave Councellour, that will play the knave with them; and with many figured Protestations (if those will serve) deceive them, he appears like a Wolf in sheeps cloathing; and being the Puppy of an old Fox, he knows how to betray and cozen the Country by Petit degrees: and now either time or very shame compells us to unite a little in points of Religion, &c. This is but conjecturall concerning the Religious. About the 9. of *October*, 1650. *Saturn* and *Jupiter* come to a perfect Trine, *Saturn* in 14. 53. *Cancer*: *Jupiter* in 14. 53. *Scorpio*, Ere this year go about, plain dealing is more used:

and things reconciled handsomely, mens purses pay for former mistakes, the heavens shine cleer: and if the *London Merchant* escape *Pyracy at Sea*, he may prove a rich man.

About *February 1652*. *Saturn* and *Jupiter* make their first opposition, *Saturn* in 6. 22: *Leo*: *Jupiter* in *Aquarium*: this their opposition is in partill *Conjunction*: with the degree of the second and eighth house of their last *Conjunction*. A curious eye may search further: Woe, to a great family of Europe, that was, is now, but shall be no more: its not old, its not ancient; like an untimely birth its cut off, and shall never again flourish, either in branch or root, &c. Lord God! Shall the number of fifty cut off more then five? or shall lesse then 90. be allotted for 4. Shall the *Virgin* be barren, and the *Lyon* have no issue? Shall lesse than 36. end in two? Shall the second end in a *Cipher*? Shall 7. come to be one, and then none, &c. doth *Italy* now begin to murmur, and *Rome* to tremble: In *Europe* we begin to shoot neer *Rome*; we misse our mark a little, we make breaches, but enter not. How ever this opposition of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* is in direct termes averse to the *Conjunction* in 1623. Old men dye of *Consumptions*, and every year the *Londoner* fears the *Plague*.

About *July 1653*. the degree of the seventh house in the *Conjunction* of 1623. is the place of *Saturn* in this second disastrous opposition: here's Transversion of figure in the heavens, so is all unity and friendship amongst the *Italian Princes*, quite dissolved, *Tom Jesuite* will have it so: what hath been obscured since 1623. now plainly appears by a large *manifesto* to all the world: The *European Princes* perceive by whom and whose meanes the troubles of this present age were fomented and raised, and what Prince would have been *Dominus fac totum*: most men are wise, when its too late: the Retrogradation of *Jupiter* in this opposition makes me mindfull to perswade every one to bear a little, another war, or a new combustion may undo us: if the all dissembling *Pharisee* trouble us not at home, we may do pretty well: and the world also, &c. But in 1654. when some wise *Italians* are in consultation how to conclude of peace, war, like a thunderbolt, suddenly breaks out; and the *Pope* thinking to benefit the Church by encroachment, in seising on the *Dutchy* of of a deceased Prince, or estate of a defunct fat *Cardinall*, indangers hereby his *Papacy*, and stirs up such a flame as about 1655. 1656. or neer these times, almost confounds his Primacy and consumes his *Patrimony*: these years seeme to be the first of his down lying, wherein his *Fatherly* authority begins to be slighted under his nose. In 1656.

Saturn

Saturn and *Jupiter* come to two Trine Aspects; *Ireland* begins again to be populated, after a large time of devastation; the year spends it self in frequent Embassages amongst the Inhabitants of *Europe*; nor do I see any reason why the Scepter of the *Ottoman* family should not now either be extinguished, or a family arising and setting up for its selfe, that will share *Greece* and some of his Dominions with him.

In the year 1657. and moneths of *August* and *October*; *Saturn* and *Jupiter* come to two Quadrate Aspects; *Saturn* in *Libra*, and *Jupiter* in *Cancer*, and to another Quadrature in the same Signes the next year 1658. the Signes are the Exaltations of these weighty Planets; very great matters are now in agitation all over *Europe*; the Noble *Austrian* family is much herein concerned: the *States* of *Holland* appear more splendid. The *Scottish* Nation have a great hand in these two years Actions; One new Pope, and he no fool, a very gentleman. More muttering these two years about Religion, mens fancies not yet settled, as if the Divines of times preceding, and now in esse were dolts, and knew nothing; hot disputes, cold conclusions, with difficulty some things are for a time soldred, but not perfectly; moveable signes fix nothing: Sores ill healed break out again to worse ends: A *German* Prince pricks up his eares, he may advance. We *English* are pretty quiet, and in a good posture. If the *Hollander* encroach too much, we shall be angry, and retort, and remember former matters, slumbring, but not buried in sleep. We shall now begin to ballance, or one for us, or we for all: forget not.

In the years 1659. and 1660. *Saturn* and *Jupiter* make three Sextile Aspects out of signes of long Ascensions; Some strict League more firm then any formerly, betwixt the Pope and Emperour of *Germany*, who yet stands up: these superiour Noble Planets in their first Sextile do both with Partill Aspect, behold the degree ascending of their last Conjunction; this their friendly Salutation comforts us in *England*, every man now possesses his own Vineyard; our young youths grow up to mans estate, and our old men live their full years; our Nobles and Gentlemen roote again; our Yeomanry many years disconsolated, now take pleasure in their Husbandry; the Merchant sends out ships and hath prosperous returns; the Mechanick hath quick trading, here's almost a new world, new laws, some new Lords: now my Country of *England* shall shed no more teares, but rejoyce with, and in the many blessings God affords her annually.

Deinde vidi Cælum novum & terram novam: primum enim cælum & prima terra abierat; & mare non amplius exstabat: Et abstersurus est.

est Deus omnem lachrymam ab oculis eorum: & mors amplius non exstabit: neque luctus neq. clamor; neq. labor exstabit amplius; quia praecedentia abierunt, Revel. 21. And I saw a new heaven, and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away, and there was no more Sea: After which time God will wipe away all teares from the eyes of his people; there shall be no more death, neither sorrow or crying; neither any more paine, for the first things are passed away. *Finis.*

*The Eclipses both of the Sun, and Moon, untill 1663.
and some lesser Conjunctions of the other Planets.*

| Eclipses and Con-
junctions, the
Signes, and De-
grees. | | Moneth and
Day. | Time of the
Day. | Visible or not. |
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| Anno Dom.
1644. | Solis 18. 56. ♄ | Feb. 27. | 6. 12. P. M. | Not in England, but some parts of Russia. |
| | ○ 9. 5. ♀ | Aug. 21. | 17. P. M. | Kings and Queens are mortall. |
| Conjunct. | ○ ♄. 10. 52. ♀ | March 20. | Scotland | Many changes of fortune. |
| | ○ ♄. 8. 8. | April. 17. | <i>the</i> | No peace appears this year. |
| | ♄ ♂. 19. ♀. | May 31. | Comet. | Its a ticklish one, quick action. |
| | ♄ ♂. 29. 8. | July 26. | | Horrible treasons and treachery. |
| 1645. | Ecl. ☽ 22. 40. ♀ | January 31. | 7. P. M. | Visible in Tartaria, Persia, China, Magellanica. |
| | ☽. 15. 15. ☿ | July 28. | 1. 17. P. M. | I fear the Plague generally. |
| | ○ 8. 18. ♄ | Feb. 15. | 20. 34. P. M. | Visible to the English; unluckie and fatall to some great Prince, whose life is in danger, if not quite cut off: Gods will be done. |
| | ○ 28. 28. ♀ | Aug. 11. | 00. P. M. | Doest thou come? welcome. |
| Conjunct. | ○ ♄. 24. ♀. | April 3. | | States of Holland, if Flanders revolt to you, remember me: bee wise, and not precise: yet take heed. |
| | ♄ ♀. 26. 48. ♀. | April 24. | | |
| | ♄ ○. 14. ♀. | May 24. | | |
| | ♄ ♀. 16. ♀. | June 3. | | |

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| | ♂ ♀ 20. 21. | Septem. 12. | | |
| 1646 | ♂ ♀ 8. 7. | Novem. 19. | 18. P. M. | Totally conspicuous to us. |
| | Eclipse. D. 11. 12. | January 20. | 5. 5. P. M. | These are not visible in England. Scarce in Europe. |
| | D. 4. 20. 21. | July 17. | 11. 40. P. M. | |
| | ♂ ♀ 27. 12. 13. | January 6. | 6. 15. P. M. | Denmark: what said |
| | ♂ ♀ 15. 14. 15. | July 2. | 11. 1. P. M. | Ticho Brahe? |
| | ♂ ♀ 15. 41. 12. | Decem. 26. | | Arise, O Lord, and help. |
| | h ♀ 1. 27. 8. | Feb. 24. | | Scarcity of bread and provision. |
| | h ♂ 7. 40. 8. | Aprill 17. | | Scotland a little disturbed. |
| | ♂ ♀ 8. 20. 8. | 18. | | |
| | h ♀ 8. 8. | 19. | | The Salvage Irish run into boggs: famine there. Sweetland and Poland totter; the Sun shines not ever in one place. |
| | h ♂ 14. 8. | June 12. | | |
| | ♂ ♀ 17. 21. 15. | 29. | | |
| | ♂ ♀ 8. 24. 12. | Novemb. 3. | | |
| | ♂ ♀ 5. 40. 7. | 17. 9. 40. P. M. | | No Eclipses visible. |
| 1647. | D. 1. 12. | January 10. | 0. 40. A. M. | |
| | ♂ ♀ 10. 15. | June 22. | 12. 40. P. M. | Our great cattle grow scarce and few in number: the Murraine offends us. |
| | ♂ ♀ 4. 16. 12. | Decemb. 15. | | Forged matters come to nothing: A Lawyer clapt up. |
| | ♂ ♀ 4. 12. | January 12. | | Sectaries in some Countries not yet quiet. |
| | ♂ ♀ 28. 15. | March 23. | | Wo is me, a very great man comes to untimely end: a rot of sheep and men: Is any Nobleman beheaded? What if many be? let Justice take place. |
| | ♂ ♀ 21. 8. | May 2. | | |
| | ♂ ♀ 19. 20. 12. | August 2. | | |
| | ♂ ♀ 16. 7. | Novem. 10. | | |
| 1648. | D. 15. 4. 7. | May 26. | 1648. | |
| | D. 8. 44. 11. | Novem. 19. | 00. 11. P. M. | Not visible. |

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| Os. 0.1. S. | June 10. | 18.40. P.M. | Conspicuous to us. |
| Os. 23. 2. 7. | Decemb. 3. | 21. 33. P.M. | Totall Eclipse, but not visible. |
| Os. 8. 3. | Jan. 18. | 12. 40. P.M. | Not to be seen here. |
| Oh. 5. II. | May 15. | | Spain hath much dammage at Sea. |
| h. 8. II. | June 4. | | Londoner, adventure not too much to sea. |
| q. 9. | 12. | | |
| h. 11. II. | 27. | | Some plots are acting, beware of fire, and treason in London. Brabant mutinies. Its a good mor-sell. |
| Os. 20. III. | Septemb. 1. | | |
| 4 q. 20. III. | 2. | | |

1649. A terrible year by reason of two Eclipses of the Moon, and one of the Sun.

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| De. 5. 7. | May 15. | 14. 40. P.M. | Altogther seen in Europe. |
| Os. 13. III. | Octob. 25. | 2. P.M. | Visible. |
| De. 27. 8. | Novemb. 8. | 18. 40. P.M. | Not seen here in England. |
| h. 14. II. | Aprill 7. | | Poor Spain loseth more men and Ships. |
| Oh. 20. II. | May 31. | | An accursed Incendiary woman dyeth. |
| 4 q. 3. III. | July 2. | | The Catalonians stir. Hollanders lose oppertunities. Germany swels. France is unquiet. |
| 4 Os. 20. III. | Octob. 2. | | |
| Os. 10. 8. | Aprill 20. | 5. 40. P.M. | |
| Os. 1. III. | Octob. 14. | 16. 48. P.M. | |
| De. 24. III. | May 5. | 8. 00. P.M. | These two last conspicuous. |
| De. 16. 8. | Octob. 28. | 19. 20. P.M. | Is Ireland in any danger? Is Austria over-run? An unlucky marriage. |
| Os. 21. 6. | March 31. | | Does any quarrell with their friends? |
| Os. 19. 8. | April 19. | | Beleeve me some do stoutly. A new Sect of Mon-sters are hatching. |
| h. 0. 4. S. | June 15. | | |

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| | h δ 9. 5. | July 18. | |
| | ○ 4. 20. m. | Novemb. 1. | |
| 1651. | ○ 5. 29. 44. γ. | April 9. | 18. 4. P. M. |
| | ○ 5. 20. 57. m. | Octob. 4. | 1. 50. P. M. |
| | ○ h 18. 5. | June 30. | |
| | δ 4 5. 7. | Septemb. 13 | |
| | ○ 4 20. 20. 7. | Decemb. 3. | |
| 1652. | De 5. 16. =. | March 14. | 16. P. M. |
| | ○ 5. 19. 16. γ | | 28. 21. 30. P. M. |
| | De 25. 15. X | Septemb. 9. | 6. 22. P. M. |
| | ○ 5. 9. 54. = | | 22. 4. 0. P. M. |
| | δ ♀ 8. 30. γ | Februa. 24. | England |
| | ○ δ 17. II | May 27. | |
| | h ○ 2. 20. Ω | July 15. | be thou |
| | h δ 5. 30. Ω | Aug. 9. | Content. |
| 1653. | ○ 5. 9. 44. X | Feb. 17. | 5. 8. P. M. |
| | De 24. 8. m | March 3. | 15. 50. P. M. |
| | ○ 5. 0. 1. m | Aug. 12. | 13. P. M. |
| | De 14. 57. X | | 28. 22. 45. P. M. |
| | 4 ○ 25. γ | Jan. 4. | |
| | 4 ♀ 4. m | March 15. | |
| | ○ ♀ 1. Ω | July 13. | |
| | 2 ♀ 11. | | 19. |
| | h ♀ 15. | | 21. |
| | h ♀ 16. | | 22. |

Neither seen in England.
Doth the Sea make irrup-
tion into Holland or Zea-
land? Dost smile?

What's done in Scotland?
A tempestuous time at
Michaelmas: many ship-
wracks in the North of
England.
The three first visible in
our Horizon.

Strange apparitions and
unusuall sights in the
South East parts.
This not to be seen with
us.

A year full of Embassages.
A preparative in the hea-
vens for a great plague:
The *Florentines* make tu-
mults: *Italy* is fearful:
wars in *Bohemia*: up-
roars in *Rome*.

Scotland beware a famine
and some firs.
Not apparant to us.
Visible to us.

Not to be perceived here.
Nor this. Divided Coun-
fels, Sects and Heresies di-
sturb every Common-
wealth of Europe: we have
our share: A magnificent
Cardinall poisoned: *Spain*
loseth at the *West Indies*.
Every Country suffers by
shipwrack: Pirates good
store: An earthquak threa-
tens some parts neer *Italy*:
fire and dissention threa-
tens *Constantine* and the
h ○ 16. Ω

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| h 16. ♀ | July 29. |
| 4 8 12. ☿ | Novem. 18. |
| ♂ h 6 | Decem. 10. |
| 8 26. ☿ ♀ | 7. |
| 4 ♀ 18. ☿ | Decem. 16. |
| 1654. No contemptible Year. | |
| Rome fears her down-fall. | |
| Os 28. 59. ☿ | Feb. 7. 18. 17. P. M. |
| Da 13. 2. ☿ | 20. 18. 27. P. M. |
| ♂ Os 19. 34. ♀ | Aug. 2. 22. 8. P. M. It endures 2. 27. |
| Da 4. 32. ✕ | 17. 11. P. M. |
| ♂ 4 h 25. ♀ | Jan. 17. |
| ♂ 4 h 24. ♀ | Feb. 1. |
| ♂ 4 29. ☿ | 8. |
| ♂ 8 29. ☿ | June 19. |
| ♂ h 12. 9. | Aug. 13. |
| 1655. Os 17. 50. ☿ | Jan. 27. 0. 40. P. M. |
| Os 9. ♀ | July 24. |
| Da 24. ♀ | Aug. 6. |
| ♂ 22. ☿ | Jan. 31. |
| 4 ♀ 4. ♀ | March 6. Italy, re-member me. |
| ♂ h 6. ♀ | 16. |
| ♂ h 14. ☿ | Aug. 27. |
| 1656. The End Proves our Actions. | |
| Da 20. 28. ☿ | Jan. 1. 8. 40. P. M. |
| Os 6. 26. ☿ | Jan. 26. 2. 24. P. M. |

great Turk: commotion about a new Emperour.

The *Engl^{sh}* do pretty wel. *Holland* lately escaped a scouring: Its news to see a Forraigne Army invade *Spain* it self.

I was, I am still, *London*, not sick but fearfull: bear this storm patiently, which is at hand: then no more: the Plague is probably like to afflict thee; some dangerous fires if not carefully prevented.

Visible every where, all over *Europe*, let *Italy* pay the Porter.

Why not a Comet: strange Meteors. A Virgin Monarchy hath been; is no more: I was a Prince, thou seest me now: a branch is lopt off from me: It grows no more: I am dying: some new progeny ariseth to a Kingdome: or some new *Alexander* is born, or appeares in the East, and doth great acts: I trow not here: *Mars* enters *Virgo*, and leaves *Leo* his quondam *Aphelium*. This visible, or may be no other.

The *Chrim Tartar* moves towards *Turkie* or his confines. The *Sueds* agree not. *Savoy* quarrels: finds an enemy without looking for. *England* rejoyceth, but not in plentiful crops of corn: An Earthquake affrights the *Turks* in *Greece*. We are unhappy of all Nations in our Clergie: An Angel knows not what they would have Scripture.

Conspicuous to the *Engl^{sh}*. This also: but not the rest.

Da 14. 44. ☿.

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| | De 14. 44. ♍ | June 26. | 1. 4. P. M. | What's to be done: The French Nation bewaile her dead. |
| | Os 29. 30. ☿ | July 11. | 11. P. M. | A terrible yeere in <i>Italy</i> : poison, up-roars, wars, fright the Pope: |
| | De 10. 38. ♍ | Decem. 21. | 00. 00. | Strange news from the <i>East Indies</i> , but who erects a Monarchy, or comes neer it in the <i>West Indies</i> . Much is promised, little performed. An earthquak, famine. |
| | ♃ 13. ☿ | April 21. | | Not apparant. |
| | ♂ 3. ♀ | Aug. 15. | | |
| | ♂ 26. ♀ | Sept. 8. | | |
| 1657. | Os 20. 43. II | June 1. | 11. 10. P. M. | Visible. |
| | De 4. ♍ | June 15. | 8. 48. P. M. | Not. |
| | Os 12. 49. ♀ | Novem. 26. | 19. 49. P. M. | Conspicuous. |
| | De 00. ☿ | Decem. 10. | 7. P. M. | The Heavens promise faire to <i>English</i> men. |
| | ♃ 5. 13. II | March 30 | | To the <i>Londoners</i> and to <i>Ireland</i> . |
| | ♂ 19. II | May 28. | | <i>Germany</i> and <i>Austria</i> not yet quiet: <i>Spain</i> looseth by tempest. The State of <i>Venice</i> loseth at Sea. |
| 1658. | ♂ 9. II | Septemb. 21 | | No one Visible. |
| | ♂ 14. II | Novemb. 4 | | |
| | Os 10. II | May 21. | 15. P. M. | Rome, Rome: where's thy wit cunning Jesuite? |
| | De 24. ♀ | June 4. | 22. P. M. | The French would; but must not make a Pope. |
| | De 18. ☿ | Octob. 30. | | <i>Londoner</i> , trade not much Eastward: November produceth ill weather. |
| | Os 3. ♀ | Decemb. 4. | | <i>Russia</i> now is not the same. |
| | ♃ 9. ☿ | May 1. | | Some great one depofed, he may be a King: or in danger of losing a Kingdome. |
| | ♃ 18. ☿ | June 13 | | None of these much Visible. |
| | ♃ 23. ☿ | July 5. | | |
| | ♂ 9. II | Septemb. 21 | | |
| | ♂ 22. II | Octob. 4. | | |
| | ♂ 23. II | 11. | | |
| | ♂ 26. II | 16. 7. P. M. | | |

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| 1659. | De 15. m | April 26. | 16. P.M. | Sturdy actions in Germany, &c. |
| | ☉ 29. 30. ☿ | May 10. | 15. P.M. | Ireland hath no minde to be quiet: do, and thou darrest. |
| | De 6. 33. ☿ | Octob. 19. | 2. 40. P.M. | |
| | ☉ 22. ♀ | Novemb. 4. | | Now behold: who shewes himself? |
| | ☉ 24. ♀ | Aug. 6. | | Hee's no fixed star, but a Planet. |
| | ♀ 29. | 30. | | The West is threatned: the North-East is not quiet: |
| | ☉ h 4. m | Octob. 16. | | The Swede is not Emperour of Germany: A new Pope, if you will. |
| 1660. | h ♀ 4. m | 22. | | All the Merchants in Europe lament their losses. |
| | Four e Eclipses not Visible, or worth mentioning. | | | Now the Nobility and Gentry begin to wrack their Tenants. |
| | ♂ 16. m | July 27. | | Some jangling with the Clergie: A new found Doctrine deludes many: beware of Cancer. |
| | ☉ 25. m | Sept. 7. | | A bonny Scot acts his part. |
| | ☉ h 16. m | Octob. 26. | | |
| | ☉ 20. m | 30. | | |
| | h ♀ 21. m | Decemb. 15. | | |
| 1661. | ☉ 10. ♀ | March 20. | 10. 40. P.M. | Fevers, Plurisies, and ill markets; heaue Taxes makes London male-content. |
| | De 25. ♀ | April 4. | 3. 40. nor this | |
| | ☉ 0. 41. ♀ | Septemb. 13. | 00. 10. P.M. | Visible with us. |
| | De 15. 5. ♀ | 27. | | Austria is in good hope. |
| | ♂ ♀ 16. m | Feb. 26. | | The Hollanders smile, perhaps alrer the frame of their Common-wealth: |
| | ♀ 18. m | Septemb. 9. | | Newes, Newes, all men are glad; for what? a great Navie perissheth by tempest. |
| | ♀ 25. m | Octob. 6. | | |
| | h ♀ 23. m | 7. | | |
| | h 27. m | Novemb. 8. | | Be meek and humble, God rules all: |
| | ☉ ☉ 20. ♀ | Decem. 29. | | Ah pious Prince dost thou dye. |
| 1662. | 00. 00. | May 12. | 00. 00. | Old men of Spain dye apace. |
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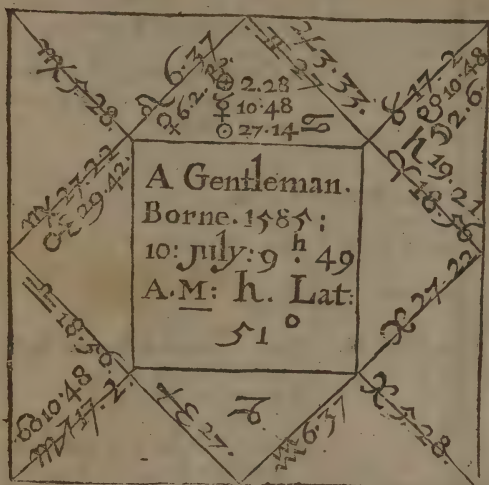
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| 1663 | 24 ♂ 19. III | Octob. 12. | | Behold a miracle: who is converted? |
| | h ♂ 7. I | Novemb. 4. | | Why so many imprisoned for their Consciences? |
| | ☉ ♀ 25. III | 6. | | Venice, thou stately City, detain no <i>English</i> goods: |
| | 24 ♀ 29. III | 26. | | A Queen suspected of too little honesty: is she questioned? yes in private. |
| | h ♀ 19. I | Decemb. 4. | | |
| | ☉ ♂ 13. VI | 22. | | |
| | ♂ ♀ 14. VI | 23. | | |
| | De 3. 40. III | Feb. 11. | 15. 21. P. M. | Visible. |
| | ☉ 19. X. | 27. | 5. 50. P. M. | Not. |
| | De 25. 32. III | Aug. 8. | 7. 45. P. M. | Visible. |
| | ☉ 8. 42. III | 21. | 7. 18. P. M. | Not. Europe disturbed with Embassadors. |
| | ☉ ♀ 26. III | Feb. 4. | | Portingall in danger. |
| | ☉ ♀ 7. II | May 17. | | Normandy Rebels, if too much oppressed. |
| | ☉ ☉ 14. II | June 22. | | |
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F I N I S.

THe third Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in the fiery Tri-
 plicity, is this year 1663. the 9 October 14. heures 37. min.
 P. M. *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in 13. degrees 31. minutes, 39. seconds
 of *Sagittarius*: *Mars* 9. deg. 20. min. *Leo*: *Sol* 26. deg. 34. min.
Libra. *Venus* 0. deg. 26. min. *Scorpio*. *Mercury* 20. deg. 21. *Scor-*
pio. *Luna* 11. deg. 13. min. *Gemini*. The Dragons head, 27. deg.
 10. min. *Leo*. the M. Celi 6. deg. 0. *Gemini*. The Ascendant for
 the Meridian of *London*, 11. deg. 47. *Virgo*: who pleaseth may
 erect the Schcam of heaven, &c.

A Gen

A Gentleman, born in the year 1585. sent me the time of his birth, with some accidents to verifie it, and required my judgement; whereupon, having rectified it, and brought the Ascendens to its perfect degree, I sent him the subsequent Discourse.



My first intention is to give a Mathematicall byiefe judgement, upon the twelue Houses of heaben, which generally represent the whole state, and life of every man, his fortune, honour, prement, &c.

Next I will see if according to precedent directions, this Native have had suitable and proper accidents, such as may naturally be veried, in an artificiall way, from those directions, or whether in measure of time, they jump with any limitation, yea, or not: In both these wayes I will be short, holding it fittest to be so.

Now most time upon the remainder of years, this Native may happily live, according to the naturall course of heaben, &c.

First House. Person, Stature, Condition.

For this Natives corporature, it should be mean, or hee of a middle stature, because the latter degrees of a signe Ascend, yet having the Lord of the Ascendens in Cancer, and Sol, and Mars, in friendly Sextill, in should be decent, well composed, not vitiated with any blemish; It denotes a ruddy, and pleasant countenance, lovely, and gracefull, nor are the conditions repugnant to the feature signified by the platick Sextill of Mercury, and Luna, be very witty, and he doctile, of good invention, facetious, affable, humane, and complementall, somewhat given to jest, by reason of the square of Venus, and Luna, he should be hospitable, a great womans friend, though to his own cost: He should by his own merit and industry rise to preferment; for Gemini, and Virgo, are both the houses of Mercury, the one signe culminating the other ascending: he should love a sedentary life, books and study, and to be free from the cares of this world: a fixed friend himself, though he finde failings in many; but to say truth, he knows how to apply himself for his own benefit, in a rationally discreet way, he can be angry, and hee will to purpose, for it were strange, if Mars in the East Angle, should not make him passionate, conceited, and of aspiring high conception, &c.

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Second House. Riches, Worldly estate.

His wealth and estate in this world ~~honed~~ ^{be seen} ~~the quality of~~
his birth considered, for Spica Virginis on the very Cusp of the second House,
promiseth a bountifull fortune, and that it shall be fixed, and indure to this
Patibes death; for Venus, Lady of the second house, is in a fixed signe, and
Jupiter a generall significator of substance, is with Oculus Iauri, a regall fix-
ed Star, noz is it the least testimony of an ample estate of the goods of this
world, that the Patibes part of fortune is in Cancer, in the tenth house, and
in part full fertill Aspect with the Moon in Taurus, her exaltation: yet to judge
nothing but all honey, were to flatter the Patibe, do not I see Saturn with
his malicious opposition afflicting the cuspe of the second out of the eighth, &
this plainly intimates that the Patibe shall have his estate impeached, wa-
sted, and lessened, by meanes of the deceased, viz. either by probates of their
Wills, or selling their decayed Estates, or of, or concerning some such en-
gagements, as his dying friends may entrust him with: it bids him beware
of meddling with Worgages of lands, tenements &c. The fortunes notwithstanding
standing being more prebalent then the malignants, here's no cause for the
Patibe to despair of a considerable subsistence during his whole life, &c.

Third House. Kindred, &c.

It imports much kindred, but they not so powerfull, or able to live as the
Patibe, for the significator of them being Mars, is disposed by the Lord of the
Ascendant: It seems the Patibe shall bee advantagious unto them, regu-
late them according to his discre. ion and will, and wholly order their affairs.
Many short journeyes he may undertake, both by water and by land, signi-
fied by Scorpio in the third, and Mars in Virgo: the Dragons-head somewhat
near the Cuspe, promiseh much pleasure in them, but most towards the
South, or East quarter from his birth.

Fourth House. Father, Lands, &c. and Inheritances, &c.

The father of this Patibe is signified, partly by Jupiter and Sol, the ge-
niture being Diurnall: and hee should have been of good condition, but not
provident of the things of this world; for seeing Saturn Lord of the fifth, or
substance of the father is in the eighth House, peregrine and feeble, I do
conjecture the freedom of the fathers heart was such, he left the sonne no pa-
trimony to be proud of; but Saturn in Aries denoats no such bounty, its Sol in
Cancer, and Jupiter in Geminis, argue largenesse of heart.

Fifth House. Children.

It were folly to treat of children, sith the Patibe was never married,
yet do not I find him defective in the acts of Venus, but sufficiently potent;
I cannot but think, Venus in the eleventh House, in Quadrate to the Moon,
might have afforded him Gentlewomen, not unhandsome, to have toyed
an experiment upon, yet Saturn in the eighth, few would have lived, &c.

Sixth House. Diseases, &c.

A fortune being Lord of the sixth, and he in the ninth, with a fixed Star, of somewhat an innoxious nature, in Dextill with Venus; It imports, our Patient to have but few sicknesses, and those easily cured by medicine, the diseases may be the wind-collick, stone in the reins, fluxes, paine many times in the reins of the back, without any gravell appearing, surfeits, and casually violent fevers, the posture of Mars in the Ascendant, may cause much head-ach accidentally, &c.

Seventh House. Women, &c.

Which properly hath signification of women, wives, law-suits, partners in any profession, &c.

I will endeavour by the Rules of Art, to give reasons why this Native hath not, or is likely to marry hereafter, &c.

Ptolomey, Leovitius, and all the Learned say, If Venus and Luna bee in barren signes, the Native will hardly marry.

Venus is here in Leo Retrograde, one argument of not marriage. The Moon is in Taurus, afflicted by Cauda Draconis, in the eighth house of heaven; these two Planets so constituted, Conjugium negant, aut a conjugio animo alienore reddunt. They deny marriage either at all, or incline men to be more averse from it. The posture of Mars also in a barren signe, being partly Lord of the seventh, or having much dominion there, may be some occasion of a single life. Neither is lesse consideration to be had to Jupiter, who is Lord of part of the seventh house, and he is in a barren signe; so that by the testimonies both of Venus, Luna, and Jupiter, the proper significators of marriage, a single life was designed for him; yet Luna near the Dragons-tail, he cannot have avoided some false aspersions by womens means.

Ninth House. Travell, long-journeys.

Which designeth whether the Native shall travell, yea or not, and with what successe, herein we consider especially Mercury, the Moon, and Venus, these Planets do denote some excursions of this Native into forraigne parts, and if the successe be required from the tenth house, which is the substance obtained by travell, I conceive he obtained what he occasionally sought for, without any let or disturbance, he may have travelled Southward by Sea, from the place he was born in, the Countreys subject to Taurus, but especially Gemois, would have suited best with the good Angell of this native, &c.

Tenth House. Preferment, estimation, &c.

What amongst Nobility is called honour, amongst people that exercise a trade, is termed reputation, estimation, credit, and the like, &c. Having the Sun, Mercury, and part of fortune in the tenth, and the Moon Dispositrix of the Sun, in her exaltation, I cannot but pronounce, that this Native shall exceed in fame and repoute, and in the goods of fortune most of his Ancestors: he shall have high esteem amongst the best sort of people wheresoever he shall live, and according to the degree of his birth, live in a glorious, and illustrious

ous way. The profession the native hath formerly used, may be derived from Mercury, and Luna, who signifie a profession wherein a voluble tongue may be exercised, and for the kindes of it, in such things as are delightfull to women, &c. I forbear particulars, because my friend is living, &c.

Eleventh House. Friends, and friendship.

It may signifie that our Native shall have the acquaintance, and friendship of many persons of good quality, both Courtiers and Citizens; those signified by Venus, may prove reall but unable, those by the Sunne mutable, those by the Moon, the being in Square to the Cuspe of the eleventh, and especially women, unprofitable, burthensome, and never satisfied, I should have mentioned both the Hyleg, and Alcochoden, and have spoken of death, captivity, &c. But I forbear these till I judge the directions.

The Authors judgement upon many directions, since the Natives birth to this year, 1641.

I In the fifth year of his Age, the Ascendant comming to the body of Mars, might cause the Measels, or Small pox, some windinesse in the bowels, impeding his health for a time, but the other directions at the same time, being under the termes of the benevolent, caused a restoring to former health. The year following, about Iuly 1591. the Sun comming to the Square of the Moon, might import some impeachment to the eyes, and some cold reumes to descend into them, whereby the Native might for a time be distempered; It also pointeth out some infirmnesse to the mother, if she were then living, which I conceive she was.

He had the measels, &c. but remembers not the year.

The year following, viz. 1592. our Native should have enjoyed a healthfull time, and be kept close to School, as is signified by the Sunne to a Sextill of Jupiter, and all the Hylegiacall places to good directions.

This he saith is true.

In the year of our Lord 1596. the occourse of the Moon to the Dragons-tail in a bestiall signe, might intimate some sudden accident should have hurt the Native, either on the head, arms, neck, or shoulders, or some four footed beast by violence, have endangered the members abovesaid, or else by the fall of some rusticall, and bestiall matter, but the Sextill of Mercury happening in the same degree and minute the direction falls in, Mercury being Lord of the Ascendant, some Mechanicall man should have lessened this accident, and annihilated the abovesaid malevolent radiation.

He really confesseth, a Cart-wheel had like to have fallen upon him, but that a Wheelwright standing by prevented it.

About the 16. year of his age, the Medium Coeli comming to the body of Mercury, and some other directions to the termes of Saturn, its probable the Native came to London to be a servant, and to indeavour for preferment in his profession, Mercury being Promittor denotat it might be good and profitable.

This is really true, as himself tells me.

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During

During the time of service, much cannot be expected, saving that about the year 1605. the Ascendant meeting with the square Aspect of Mercury, might declare some difficulty in his Accompts, and some slowwardness in his Master, and immediately after a journey beyond the Seas.

He then travelled into France, &c. Nor was the rest false.

About, or in the 26. of his age, the Mid-heaven comming to the square of Saturn, declare a turbulent and unquiet year, and years unto the Patrie, by the aspersions of some malevolent vulgar people: years of much affliction and discontent, years of much expence of substance unexpectedly, some detriment in his profession, by such as he dealt, or negotiated with.

This proved too true, but in what nature I forbear, &c.

About the 27. year, the Sun directed to the Trine of Saturn, might cause a reconciliation of former differences, and great expressions of love from an aged Citizen, or a rich widow: and now the part fortune, comming to the body of the Sunne, might cause the City to take notice of his Trading, and manner of living: It begot very good acquaintance, much increase in wealth, and prosperity in all worldly affairs, nor do I see any contradiction to this happiness, unless some fall from a Horse, about June 1611. might endanger his safety, &c.

I remember not what answer was given to this.

From the year 1611. to the 36. of his age, he should live in great happiness, have the proffer of many fair Gentlewomen, delight in horses, and horsemanship, in Musicke, History, and all delightfull studies. he should have plentifull trading, feast, and be feasted, live sociably and merrily.

This was so.

But in 1620. the Ascendant comming to the Opposition of Saturn, both Promittor, and Direction being Dalignant, it might cause some melancholicke humours to abound, much ventosity all over the body, a great weaknesse in the back, backsliding in estate, by some mortgage, or meanes of ill servants, much troubled to get in Debts, many Law suits, much labour to get in the goods of some deceased party, or creditors: It denoats ill digestion, a weak stomack. This year was enough to undo many a man by losses, and other casualties incident to such a Direction.

He confesseth both the sicknesse in the parts of the body named, and the rest of the Accidents to have fallen out exactly.

In the year 1625. the Moon comming to a Sextill of Iupiter, a principall significator of Preferment; It might incline the Patrie to aspire to some better preferment, then at present he had; it should give him some notable Office in the Common wealth, to the Patries credit, but no increment of wealth; for although this Aspect is very good, yet was it not of sufficient fortitude, to effect what immediatly succeeded; it produced our Patrie, or should so do, some familiarity with a person of honour, and intimates familiarity with a learned Lawyer; it denoats divers motions for a wife, &c.

These are acknowledged.

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In July 1626. being compleat 41. years of age, the Sunne was directed to a Trine of the Moon, and Medium Coeli to a Sextill of Iupiter, near the Cusp of the 11. house. Now he had a good Office.

By this accident I rectified the whole Nativity.

From the time of his accesse to Office, till this present 1641. some memorable accidents must have happened, which purposely I passe over.

I conceive the Medium Coeli to the body of Venus 1628. and Currant 43. of his age, might intimate some allayes to a young Gentlewoman, and might offer opportunity of marriage.

This was true.

When the Ascendant 1636. and 52. of his age came into Scorpio, and therein to an opposition of the Moon: It should designe some infirmnesse in those members represented by Scorpio.

This was so, a virulent effluxion of matter issuing *Ex partibus predictis*.

But in November, the Moon comming to the termes of Venus, by benefit of medicine he was cured.

He was subject to Surfets that year upon small occasion.

In the 54. year of his age, Part Fortune comming to the termes of Mars, in the last degrees of Leo, and Pisces being the Ascendant in the professionall figure, some limie flegmaticque humours were stirred up, and caused some obstructions in the small guts, and much pain in those parts, but Iupiter being then in a benedolent place, all things by benefit of medicine came to a good conclusion.

This was also true, &c.

I now passe to the remainder of years yet unexpired.

1644. passeth without any Annual directions, wherefore the Action of this year must participate in the nature of what preceded in 1642. and 1643.

1645. Part Fortune comes to the termes of Mercury, whereby its intimated, the Native will be sollicitous to procure in moneys, either formerly lent, or to acquire some moze to adde to his former Bank: But so far as much as Mercury is Lord of the 12. house, as well as of the first, it points out some cunning fellow or other indebted unto the Native, will delay payment of what is justly due. Mercury represents Secretaries, Lean men.

The Clymaxtericall year beginning 1647. 9. July, 21.
bonnes P. M. Year 63.

The 20 of Virgo is ascending in the Revolution, and Mars in 21. degrees of the signe.

This year being many times satall, requireth consideration of all the five Hylegiacall places, of the Revolution, yearly Profession, auspicious, and unfortunate Transites, and whatsoever the Artist can do for happy direction of the Native, and better prevention of Casualties depending upon that year.

Medium Coeli and the Sunne come both to the termes of Mars, here's probability

bability of distemper in the body, principally occasioned by choler and vexation of the spirits about some kinsman, whereby the humours are teperated, and so in July, upon, or near the day of birth, the distemper may be at its height: the Native shall do well, if in Aprill 1647. he feel any symptoms of such like disease, or finde any crazinesse to appeare, let him take advice of the learned Physician, and have such medicine prescribed, as may lessen choler, and melancholly; and he may conveniently take his physicke the 19. and 20. Aprill 1647. The bowels or small guts seem to be burdened with vicious excreescencies, &c. He will have some fits of the stone, and passions of the wind chollick, gripings in the bowels, &c.

But because Mercury, Lord of the Ascendant in the Revolution, is going to Conjunction of Iupiter, and is in the very degree of Venus at the birth, I doubt not, but the Native by means of such a Physician as is represented by Iupiter, will diminish the force of the influence, and so evade any sickness of long continuance, which is also foreseen by the position of the Moon in Pifces, a bycozpozeall and common signe: The Native is desired very little to credit Ecclesiasticall men with matter of money; nor will it be healthfull to travell into the South-west of England this year.

The Native is premonished to be carefull of himself, these following dayes, 1647.

15. August, The Ascendant by profection comes to the body of Mars, beware of anger, of watery places, bee not stirring too early in the morning, least foggy mists cause stopping, and venemous ayres to get into the body.

14. October, Come not on Horseback, or amongst Cattle, avoid Stables, out-houses, deal not in any old house-hold stuffe: the Moon then comes to the Dragons tail.

27. October, The Sunne comes to the body of Venus; the Native may be cheerfull and fear not, nay his heart will be merry. Some society with a good Gentlewoman, &c. or entertained at a good Ladies House.

17. March, Part Fortune comes to a Trine of the Moon; some woman payes in money formerly borrowed; some small present from a loving neighbour.

2. Aprill, 1648. The Ascendant comes to opposition of Saturn: The native for two or three dayes falls into vain fears, that an old acquaintance lately dead, died so poor hee shall lose by him: time makes it appear there was no cause, for if the generall infelicity of England at that time hinder not, the native regains his money with advantage: For I finde after the 15. August, Iupiter is Divisor of the remainder of the year, and that Venus hath dominion of the Alfridary, both which considered, induce mee to judge that the native shall happily evade any infirmesse, or casualty depending on this Climactericall year, and also overcome any difficulty incident unto him upon any directions.

The 64. year, beginning July, 1648.

Wherein the Ascendant comes to the Dragons-head, and to a Time of Mercury, 3. Febr. 1648. and to the termes of Mercury May 1649.

The first Aspect is equivalent to a Fortune, both put together, in effect, tell the native so much, That like a man escaped out of some small danger, herejoiceth, and solaceth himself at a kinsman or friends house; though now in years, here's probability of a journey beyond Seas; or into the remote parts of this Kingdom: the native will be much imployed in taking accounts, perusing reckonings, reconciling many disagreeing neighbours, and friends; he may be carefull in selling some estate upon a kinsman, and shall more then many years befoze be conversant with Lawyers, Clerks, Secretaries of Estate: the Aspects denote, not onely, an extraordinary acquisition of substance, and money, but some publike imployment from the Estates, or from that person, or those persons of greatest quality, where he shall then reside, unexpectedly some new beneficiall and materiall preferment. Its probably like to be a year of great action unto the native; wherein notwithstanding he is advised to be very carefull:

Because in the 65. year, and 1649. September 24. Part of Fortune coming to the Square of Jupiter, some Gentleman, or Statist of quality will disturb him in his proceedings, or question his actions. The adversary is more words then matter; itsfor a Debt owing that this mans malice appears so great: yet things seem to be reconciled by an honest Divine, and so the native again follows his imployment, which yet continue,

In December 1649. the Moone coming to the termes of Mars, stire up some cholerick matter, and causeth a little weaknesse in the eyes, for a day or two, after which, the remainder of the year passeth without more then common accidents. Some years have no directions.

1652.

Being entred the sixty and eighth year of age, Part of Fortune comes to the termes of Venus, which intimates little more then a healthfull constitution, and some small increase of a temporall estate, a continuance of former imployments.

The 70. year of Age, which begins 10. July 1654. ending July 1655.

The Moon now comes to the degree culminating; to a man active and desirous of preferment, this direction would perform it. It intimates health, estimation, respect, and what not unto the native, that his age, or place are capable of in a very high measure: Aged Ladies and Gentlewomen visit the native. The man in the highest authority near his habitation, will much respect him. Some new preferment, or removal for better.

In November 1654. the Sun cometh to his own Sextill, shewing a chearfull old man, and that nature by art doth much comfort life, with convenient Cordials. In Aprill 1655. the Sun comes to the degree ascending at birth, which reconciles some stubborn adversary, and now as the Sun becomes

becomes more powerfull, and more near to our northern Climate, so the native becomes more lively, and passeth his time with greater tranquillity of minde, enjoying in a plentifull manner all those contentments the world asporteth to a private man; which is the more increased by the comming of the Medium Coeli to the Trine of the Moon. The native shall finde this year somewhat formidable to the City of London, by reason of a great plague, and shall also hear wonders out of Italy, the Pope beginning to be ruined: there will also in divers Countries of Europe break out suddenly such actions, as shall astonish the living, &c. I have considered the Revolution of this year, which onely giveth the native caution, to avoid crude and raw fruits.

71. Year of age, beginning 10. July 1655. ending July 1656.

The Sunne in December 1655. comes to the termes of Saturn, who at the birth being ill posited, may stirre up some clownish fellows to contest with the native, it provokes the native to waspishnesse, care, and melancholly, some slight infirmnesse is sensibly perceived, he cannot bee always young: The native takes cold, and is therefore vexed with a cough all the winter, and abundance of spittle, reume descends into the right eye: but the spring appoaching, and the professionall Figure being benevolent, the Sunne, and Mercury dissolved to the place of the Moon, and Venus to the place of Jupiter, and the Dragons head to the signe Horoscopating, the native is admonished to change his ayre, by benefit whereof he grows lively, and lusty according to the measure of his age.

72. Year, from July 1656. to July 1657.

The Part Fortune meets with the Sextill of Mercury, the day of his birth, going on the 72. year of age: It promisseth some Annuall increase of his revenues, and getting in of former lent moneys, it invites to a purchase, moderate health is foreseen; it provokes to devotion more then formerly, it invites to a settling of estate: The professionall Figure presents Mercury in his own house, Venus in Cancer, the Moon in Aries: He is afflicted at the death of a friend; the times vex the native, hee is doubtfull how to provide for one; he fears in vain; let him serve God, the place God puts him in at beginning of the year. will be secure.

73. Year, and probably, like to be the last year of the Natives life,
from July 1657. to July 1658.

The professionall Figure of this year being the same of the birth, the native must return to the place from which he came, viz. to the earth. Not, that the Professions absolutely do signifie such a thing, but the concurring of two interficient directions in one and the same year, and almost moneth, make me confident of the great danger the native will be in this year.

In September 1657. the Moon comes to the Square of Mars; the same Moneth the medium Coeli to a Square of Jupiter; in November the Sunne being Hyleg, and the tempozall light at the birth meets with the body of Mars, who

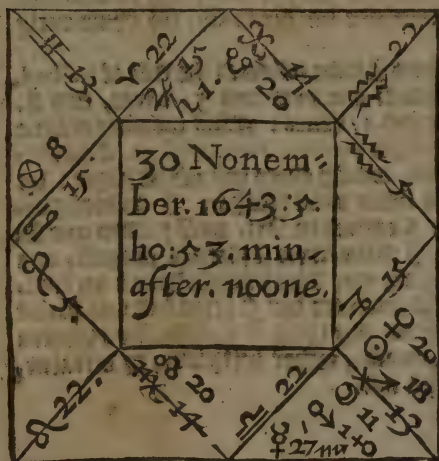
who is Promittor to both Significators. At the fall of the lease, the native becomes ill, and is oppressed with the wind chollik, but striving to verto of that, and his Medicines not operating to purpose, it puts the native into a Fever, of which, about the 5. of December 1657. according to naturall causes, he ought to die. I positively conclude no: his death, for thats onely in the hands of God.

For the measure of time in Directions I have followed the rule of Naibod, who allows for one degree of the Aequator one year and 5. dayes, and 8. hours, and for every minute six dayes and 4. hours: This measure of time Maginus prefers before that of his own in his Primum mobile, fol. 52. The Ancients did give for every degree one year, and for every minute six dayes: let every one use that measure of time he finds most truth in; I do verily believe Naibods to be most exact. The Learned in Art, must pardon mee for performing this Nativity so slenderly, I have made it plain of purpose, and omitted all termes of Art, and the Directions, which would have been troublesome, had they been inserted by the Writer; for our Nation seldome print any thing of Astrology: I remember not any thing of this Subject printed since Darior 1598. Such as it is, receive, either with love, for disdain, thou that art ignozant: for I value thee not.

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The Urine of John Pym Esquire; a member of the House of Parliament, brought to me, without his knowledge or consent; and my judgement required whether he would live or dye.

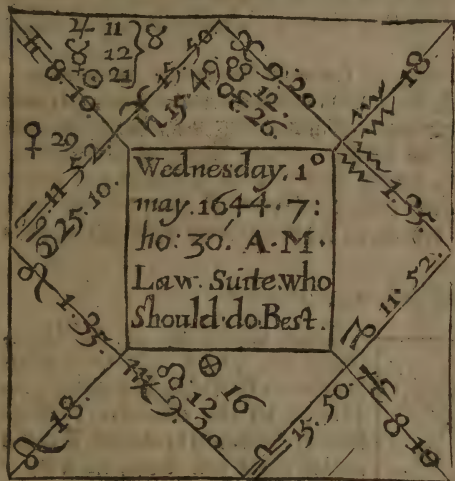


Astrologers know, Cancer is here the Ascendant of the figure, and signifies the breast, upper part of the belly, cold stomach, &c. because no Planet afflicted that sign, but Jupiter Lord of the 6. house, with his Quarteile Sunistor. I judged the breast and stomach were not so much at present afflicted, as formerly they had been: yet I said there appeared small or little digestion: I had then recourse to the sixth house, in which were the Moon, Sol, and Venus; the Moon lately separated from a Conjunction of Mars and Cor Scorpii. Ile not say he was poisoned, perhaps it was some former surfeit, &c.

finding the Moon Lady of the Ascendant, to be the temporall light in Sagittarius, and Sol also both subterranean, and posited in the six h. I collected what part of member they signified in that signe, and found they denoted the heart, the back, bowels, and belly; seeing therefore foure Planets, as it were, in the sixth house, and its descending signe, and i. of the fiery Triplicity, I judged the principall cause of the disease to be a dzinelle or stoppage in the belly, guts, or bowels, which was also confirmed by Jupiter in Ariete, a fiery and dry signe: the Lord of the Ascendant going to combustion in that house, which naturally signifieth diseases, I judged he could not live: the Moon applied to a Trine of Jupiter, and he then stationary, I judged the disease was so settled, he should not be cured, yet because of Jupiter his frustration partly by combustion of the Moon: I said he would not dye that day, or the next: but would live until the eighth of December, at what time the Moon came to Conjunction of Saturn, Lord of the 8. house: and my Reason was, because Luna wanted 7. degrees of the Conjunction of Sol, it should signifie 7. dayes, but finding the Moon the 7. day, came to no inficent Planet, I said it would be 8. dayes: and so it was, as I have been informed: the figure speaks him a right good man, honest and vertuous, and not as some scandalize him. Many I know would think he should have lived, because Sol and Venus are in the 6. house; indeed I have found many times, when the Sun was in the 6. the party hath recovered beyond expectation, and when all men despaired; for the Sun being Fons vitalis potentia, is most part a significator of good to the sicke: but in this figure, the Moon being Lady of the Ascendant, and going to Combustion of the Sun, which is the worst of

mill-toxanes in sicknesses, and in the proper house of infirmities, must needs cut off life. Si dominus ascendentis, aut Luna sint combusti a Sole, ipsi dant certum testimonium mortis, Ganivetus, fol. 291. **he goeth further and saith,** Si unus ipsorum tantum sit combustus, &c. and fol. 296. Si Luna sit prope Solem, signum est mortis, quanto propinquior & in combustionem, tanto pejor. viz. if either the 11th or of the Ascendant or Moon are Combust, its a signe of death.

The Tryall of a Law Suit.



The Moon in Cancer is for the Querent, being Lady of the Ascendant: Saturn, Lord of the Seventh is for the Adversary.

Jupiter Lord of the 10. house
is significator of the Judge.
with whom Mars hath participa-
tion, because placed in the 10.

The Question is easily judged, for according to the strength of the significators the judgement is determined: If the Lord of the Ascendant be stronger than the Lord of 7. the Querent shall overcome, and so the contrary.

Of this opinion is Guido Bonatus, fol. 273. Ille cujus significator est fortior, debet obtinere; fortior erit qui est in angulo maxime in ali-

qua suorum domorum, viz. He whose significator is most strong, ought to obtain the better, and he is best dignified that is in an Angle, and in any of his own houses: Seeing in this figure the Moon to be in her own house and in the Ascendant, in Trine to Mars in the 10. and in Sexile better with the Sun, Lord of the second, and part of fortune with the dragons head: I judged the Querent should overcome his enemy, and so he did; Cauda draconis in the 10th. I said that the judge at the tryall would be angry, and so he was, for the adversaries witnesses knew not what to swear, you see the quesited his significator Peregrine, and in his fall; yet in accidentall dignities, prettily fortified, but wanting essentiall, if nothing availeth; where as the Moon is essentially strong, increasing in light, number and motion. The Querent was a sanguine complexion Gentleman, of a generous Partittall disposition, big-boned, strong, and very discrete. The defendant was lean and thin bodied, hollow cheeks, sad brown hair, bending forward, malicious, wilfull, and neither better or worse than a true Saturnine man. If two go to fight, or make war, the question is thus resolved for the most part; but you are to consider in war, the second house, and the Planets therein, signifye the friends and assistance the Querent shall have on his side.

the 8th house, and the Planets therein posited. shew the same for the enemy. Now if it happen that the Lord of the 2d is Peregrine, weak or unfortunate, so shall the friends of the querent be, viz. men that promise much, but not able to performe any thing: if the Lord of the second, out of the 6. 8. or 12th Aspect the Lord of the Ascendent with square or Opposition, the Querent shall have no ayde come to him, though he be promised some; and moreover it may be doubted, he or they that promise assistance, will betray the Querent, and yet seeme to be willing to help him, but will in fine do nothing: and this is more certain, if the Lord of the second have any benigne Aspect to, or with the Lord of the 7th, they then wish better to the Enemy then the Querent.

And this, to the everlasting dishonour of some in the world, was in August 1644. verified: when the noble Essex was worsted, in not having timely assistance, which I foresaw by the houre of his going out, being exactly taken for me: he that could never be beaten by an Army or Armies of men, was foiled by plaine treachery, under pretence of I know not what parsimony: if men forbear to speak of this, the stones of every street will be transformed into Cryers, and cry aloud for vengeance against the perfidious.

Goods Stolen, Who Was Theefe?



This Question is resolved, when the goods are certainly known to be stolen, by the Peregrine Planet in the Ascendant, mid-heaven, seventh or second, I could never finde any truth in a Peregrine Planet in the 4th, if none be in the houses aforesaid, take the Lord of the seventh. &c.

Mars in this Scheme being out of all dignities, posited in the 10th house and very near the Cusp thereof; I said, it was such a one as is signified by Mars, viz. A fellow of middle Stature, strong and wel set, broad large shoulders, a wrangling swearing fellow, of some earthly sordid Occupation, that did frequently do dingeries

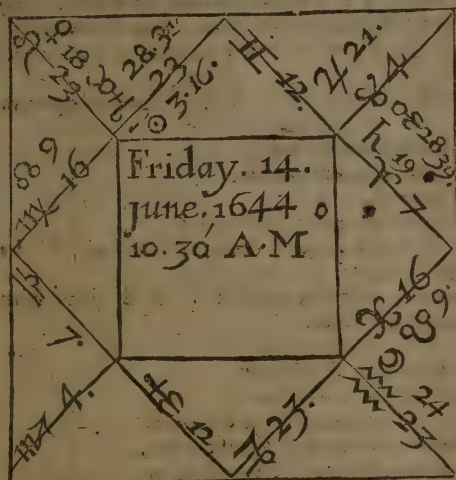
in the house, of a darke flaxen curling haire, a sun-burnt Complexion, and some materiall cut or gash near the left eye. I described Jupiter a more elderly man, to be also mistrusted, but in my judgement acquitted him: I said further, because both the Moon and Venus applied to Mars, the fellow had two sweet hearts at that time: and that the man signified by Jupiter, was a very friend of the thefes, &c. Upon my words the party applied himself to such a

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man as I described, and he well knew, and had part of his goods again: For Venus in the second house promisseth part, but not all, because Mercury Lord of the second was Retrograde.

Unlesse for a very friend, I hate theevish questions: the which usually bring scanball to the Artist: few men beleeving the person of the thiefe can be described by any lawfull Art, as also many times the party is mistaken, one man being accused for another, and so much mischief comes thereon: for if the Artist describe a person any thing neere to the shape of the party they mistrust, they build confidently on the judgement, let us do what wee can to contradict them. I have known the iudicious to have benefited themselves very much by our judgement, and to have recovered beyond expectation, &c. And so on the contrary.

A Gentlewoman desired to know if she should have an aged man; yea, or no.



The Querent hath Mercury on^{ly} for her significatrix. Jupiter is for the aged man and party questioned after. Considering Mercury had lately separated from a Sextile of Jupiter, and the Moon by a Quadrant, I judged there had lately been some treaty about it, (which was confessed:) and that the old man did much impartune it, because Jupiter receiveth Mercury in his exaltation, and casteth a friend by Trine to the degree Ascending; this was so: seeing the Moon carried the light from Jupiter to Mars, and Mercury was going to a Quadrant of Mars; I judged the matrons affection was alienated from the old man, and that she desired such

a man as Mars, viz. a Captaine or Souldier, &c. and that she should be crossed therein, by reason both Mars and the Moon were in unfortunate houses: nor had Mercury or Luna any dignities where Mars was, or in the signe, and degree where himself was: all this was acknowledged with teares: because I found Saturn and Mars in the eighth, and that Mars was the impeding Planet: I had the maide require a joyniture of the old man, and see what it would do which at next meeting she did: but then it appeared he could not make any, there being an incumbrance upon his Land, as Saturn with Mars, in his second house of substance both excellently signifie: after this they broke off all termes of marriage, directly as I told her.

The Querent was of a stature tall, straight bodied, of a good lovely brown complexion and browne round visaged, well spoken, modest and judicious. The Querent I judged to be a man slender and full bodied, oval visaged, swart, brown colour, dark sad hair, his stature tending to tallnesse, a man worldly and covetous, for Jupiter being in Taurus the Emblem of Labour, doth insinuate so much: it was so confirmed.

To the Astrologers of EUROPE.

GENTLEMEN,



Thought to have concealed my private Notions, in hope, that, amongst so many learned men of other Countreys, some of you would have published your endeavours upon this Conjunction, 1643: But seeing it's a full year since the Conjunction, and no mans Labour or Learning hath appeared unto me, upon that Subject; I my self have adventured and presumed, to put forth This, long since written; a rude piece of Stuff, a meer Chaos and mixture of Confusion: And yet, how mean soever it be, it may stir up some more able hand to second it, and to polish my ragged Inventions; Res facilis addere inventis. Were I now to perform it again, I could do it twice so well: perhaps I will, Si venia dabitur.

There's a time for all things. Some may guesse I have done little: Dulce Bellum inexpertis: Others will storm and rage at me, because

Terribiles toti mundo divinitus iras
Postremi Secli venturas tempore pando.

Let them say what they will, I care not: I say to all,

Sola est causa mali cunctis dementia habendi.

Had not this madnesse of encroaching possessed the European Demi-gods, we had to this day been quiet in most Countreys of Europe; whereas now

Infelix vita adveniet, tempusq; cruentum. To England what shall I say? Eheu: immanis regio, gens barbara valde.

After a while, I fear, nay at present

Tibia multifera non turbat pectora cantu.

No mirth or melodie: the heavens deceive us not, when they say,

Splendentemq; Cometam

Appellat homines Stellam mala significantem,

Imminet ut multum Bellum, vastatio, strages.

Our times of perill are before our eyes, and approaching,

Nam sic in facis fixum vertentibus Annis.

I write to you that are versed in heavenly Constellations, and desire you would peruse the Books of the Ancient, and not slight our Modern Writers, you shall observe abundant verity in Astrologie; you, I mean, that are the sons of Art: Never did the world afford more matter to work upon: the heavenly Bodies do as plainly discover the times succeeding, as if they were in present view.

Quicunque conditionem Coelestis harmoniae notam haberet; tam praeterita quam futura cognosceret. The Key if our Art, de futuris contingentibus in mundo, is, I confesse, involved in many Riddles, so that very few obtain it.

Quis mihi dabitur ex millibus unus, qui hanc harmoniam intelligat coelestem: Let us labour that every one may understand a little, and attain to the knowledge of this celestiall harmony. The ascent thereunto is by Nature, plain Nature; and the exact knowledge of the nature and property of every Planet, and intelligence: Inferiora enim superioribus subiecta sunt, & sola similitudine, quae substantia, accidente, potentia, virtute, numero, gradu ac proprietate constar, per applicationem unius ad aliud, &c.

He that reads Mizaldus his *Harmoniam microcosmi cum macrocosmo*, five *humani corporis cum Cælo*, may perceive something more, and, as in a certain Scale, may ascend to greater matters. Nor shall I at any time attribute more to the heavenly Constellations then God hath given: I well know, *Astra nullum imperium habent in mentem, nec aliquid in nos dominum habent, qui Spiritu ambulamur, confitentes Dominum Jesum Christum omnia in sua potestatem habentem, &c.* They are Designatrices temporum, and of that mutation which is as well in man, as in this world, by the permission of the All seeing providence of God. When God will crosse Nature, he works by Miracles; when he will not have man to understand his Ordiances, he clouds his understanding with doubts, fears and errors. *Ars longa, vita brevis. Art is tedious, our life ends when we are but Smatterers in any learning.* Indeed our intentions never fix, we would ascend to a higher measure of knowledge then God is willing we should: A fault Adam was guilty of.

Perfusus conjuge, partem

Æternam oblitus sprevit clarissima iusta.

By which miserable fall and failing of Adam, we have warning to be content with that measure of knowledge God imparts unto us in Nature, and by Nature, and not to invoke the Spirits to our assistance, or to use any unlawfull Course in our Predictions: For, certainly, he that understands the face of heaven, and frame of nature rightly, shall see abundance of matter, and all the negotiations of this later Age, concurring with the heavenly Constellations, and ordered according to the course of the heavens; and shall not need to tread in any illicite path of knowledge.

I intended only, at first, to have handled the Conjunction in 1642: But being engaged in the Action, I found I could make nothing of it, unless I ascended to former times. Doubtlesse, as this Conjunction is the last of the Wary Triplicity this Return, and is by divine providence, after forty years continuance of the Fiery Trygon, permitted to make its Conjunction in a Wary Signe, and is mirrored, as I may so say, betwixt that Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in Leo, 1623; and that in Sagittarius, 1663. The Effects hereof shall assuredly be more admirable, and more miraculous, then any that hath preceded these many years.

The Cavils of some pragmatick Novices, and of seditious Sectaries, that have undone us, I neither care, nor fear: You cannot make it sink into their noddles that, there's twelve Houses, or seven Planets; or that there's any influence in the Stars, though God himselfe name the influence of the Pleiades, and ask these fools, If they can restrain it: Let them passe, Sic canibus caulos, &c. Who knows not, *Accessu Solis vegetantur vires, velut resuscitatur ex cussaque veterno; discessu ejusdem seu, destituta adminiculis necessarij præsidij elanguescunt*: Experience in every man tells us, *Sunt & sensus cogitationesq; actiores aut hebetiores uno magis quam alio tempore, non ex ulla causa obvia, aut nota*; Sed ut vis illa ætheria in corporibus nostris a Cœlesti lumine incitatur, aut retunditur. I ingenuously confesse, That I have, for some Considerations, omitted many curious judgements; so have many, before my time, purposely kept back much learning from the knowledge of the world: *Res mundi pulcherrimæ ob arrogantiam hominum ignorantur, dum nihil statunt credere, nisi humana mens rationem illius perciperit*; which is impossible: Who gives the reason of the curing at a distance by the weapon Salve? What reason hath found out the vertue, and the cause of it, in the Load-stone? So long as time is, and men upon the face of the earth, there will be difference in Opinion: All men will not approve of all Acts. How many hundred years was it, before Physick was admitted in the Romane Common-wealth? and yet who knows not the excellent benefit that man hath, by means of the learned Physicians? our lives, in many conditions, were miserable, without it, and the Physician. But I hasten to a conclusion. For writing to you that understand Astrologie, I need no Apologie: Rogamus itaque omnes cælum aspicientes & colentes hæc studia, ut boni consulant, & contra Scorpiones, & maledicos Mathematicum hostes ac calumniatores defendant, & ut meam quoque exultationem tucantur etiam atque etiam rogo.

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And my request to forsaigue Astrologers is, Ut si qui Exempla genitararum colligerunt summorum principum atque Heroum & singularium casuum in Francia, Hispania & Germania, aut vicinis Regnis, nec non aulis versantur, geneleos ad nos, vel tempora saltem transmittant: And I will return it in exchange thereof such as have come to my hands, either of our own Nation, or any other. I have in most places delivered my minde Astrologically, some few excepted, yet no judgement but extracted radically from the Art, my words are in length, and not for every word a letter, as Sibilla Delphica dealt with Romulus, who desiring to know the fate of Rome, had no answer of the Sibill, then these 14. letters, wrote in the barks of trees: R. R. R. T. S. D. D. R. R. R. F. F. F. F. 437. yeares after this Prophecy, Sibilla Eriethra came to Rome, who did so interpret and ex pound them, as if she and none other had composed them; in this manner. Romulo, Regnante, Roma, Triumphans, Sibilla, Delphica, Dixit, Regnum, Romæ, Ruet, Ferro, Flamma, Fame, Frigore: The Prediction proved exactly true; as any that read the Romane historie will finde out. I could have delivered some truths in the like nature, had I so desired, perhaps now and then I may.

The last thing in which I crave your gentle acceptance, is the measure of time concerning the determination of the effects of this Conjunction, excuse me not, until you finde it erroneous, which if you do, let my error teach you to measure the time aright; I have not done it with confidence that events will answer my proportion allotted. I have endeavoured divers wayes, time and the success will either confirme or disprove it, and by this meanes finde out one certain measure, the thing I onely aime at. Remember we are men, no one man knoweth all things, no not in any Science. Illa Deus in Magne proposuit oculis mortalium spectanda: qualia aliis in rebus subtiliori mentis indagini, & sedulitati experiendi majori, inveniendâ reliquit: words as true as truth itself: let us modestly seek, and we shall finde that proportion God hath appointed for us, whether in knowledge of this, or any other Science; and let all men know: Duplices sunt stellarum omnium radii: alii sensibiles sive luminosi, alii secretioris influentiæ: hi omnia quæ in hoc mundo continentur penetrant: illi ne adeo penetrant, quodam modo impediri possunt: If understood I might enough, not apprehended I write too much.

Three Flower-de-Luces neer Somerset house
in the Strand. Octob. 16. 1644.

WILLIAM LILLY

ERRATA.

PAge 1. line 12. read *Taurus*, p. 3. l. 34. r. 2942. p. 7. l. 3. *Anglicus*. p. 12. In that figure and 11. house put. Q. o. 14. and D. 7. 52. p. 17. l. 25. r. *Opposition*. p. 19. l. 27. read parts, p. 22. In the 2d. figure, r. by the *Rudolphine*, p. 23. l. 29. r. *Medes*. p. 24. l. 10. r. matter, p. 29. l. 5. r. *Secundarian*, p. 31. l. 5. r. *Conjunctions*, p. 32. l. 28. r. *signes*, p. 36. l. 1. r. *morien*, l. 12. r. *alter*, l. 26. *naturæ*, p. 41. l. 22. r. or *otherwaies*, p. 48. l. 36. r. that *Aphorisme*, p. 52. l. 13. r. *proveniet*, p. 65. l. 10. *Proclus*, p. 66. l. 16. *infirmiarum*, p. 76. l. 1. r. *weare*, p. 90. l. 8. r. *Catayja*, p. 94. l. 18. r. *iniminent*, p. 115. l. ult. for *Constantine*, r. *Constantinople*.

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